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JANUARY

Sunday, January 29 - Winter Bible Conference

8:30 AM MWBC - Dr. Stanley Spence & SML
9:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM MWBC - Dr. Stanley Spence & SML
3:00 PM Youth Puppet & Praise Team Practice
4:00 PM Nominating Committee Meeting
4:00 PM Youth Handbells
5:00 PM Churchwide Covered Dish / FLC
6:00 PM MWBC - Led by Sandi Turner
Children's MWBC w/Jordan - Fellowship Hall

Monday, January 30

5:30 PM Upward Basketball Practice
6:00 PM Upward Cheerleading Practice

Tuesday, January 31

9:30 AM FBCM Worship
10:00 AM Senior Adult Choir
5:30 PM Upward Basketball Practice
6:00 PM Upward Cheerleading Practice

Wednesday, February 1

10:30 AM Ladies Bible Study
5:30 PM WNS
5:45 PM Worship Team Rehearsal
6:00 PM Children's Choirs / K - Grade 5
6:30 PM MWBC - Led by Chris Rhyne
Children's MWBC w/Jordan - Fellowship Hall
7:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 2

10:30 AM Virginia Highfill Mission Group
11:45 AM Soup, Salad & Scripture
5:30 PM Upward Basketball Practice
6:00 PM Upward Cheerleading Practice

Friday, February 3

5:00 PM Harmony Sunday School Class Fellowship

Saturday, February 4

All State Youth Choir Auditions
8:00 AM Upward Games

Sunday, February 5 - WBC & Souper Sunday

7:00 AM Deacons Meeting
8:30 AM MWBC - Dr. J. Dixon Free / Kids SML
9:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM MWBC - Dr. J. Dixon Free / Kids SML
11:30 AM Youth Mission Fundraiser Lunch
4:00 PM Youth Handbells
5:00 PM Youth Choir
6:00 PM Youth Snack
6:30 PM Youth LifeWalk

INFORMER

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

January 25, 2012

MIDWINTER BIBLE CONFERENCE

"MOVE THAT STONE"

Sunday, January 29

8:30 & 10:30 AM - "Obstacles of Faith"
Dr. Stanley W. Spence

5:00 PM - *Covered Dish Supper (FLC)*

6:00 PM - "Priorities"

Sandi Turner

Wednesday, February 1

5:30 PM - *Wednesday Night Supper (FLC by Reservation)*

6:30 PM - "Investing With Purpose"

Chris Rhyne

Sunday February 5

8:30 & 10:30 AM - "Communion of the Saints"

Dr. J. Dixon Free

11:30 AM - *Youth Fund Raiser Luncheon (FLC)*

(Donations accepted for Youth Summer Missions)

NOTE: February 5th is "SOUPER SUNDAY" see details on page 2

NEW & PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Class Series Continues . . .

February 5 - Small Groups, How to Plug In

Presented by: Rev. Eddie Andrews

Adults (6th grade and older) will meet at 9:30 AM in the Conference room. *Children's new member classes* will continue to meet in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 AM.

REFINERS FIRE . . .



I have often wondered of Christ's inner strength. Long before the first lash of a whip was thrown, he felt the inner wound of those whose words moved people but had no real substance but ignorance. What happens when the creation criticizes the creator without knowledge, or we represent the creator's message in error? It's like a child who asks why to a complex, compound question and is hopeless to know the answer even if it is explained. Eventually, the parent just says, "Because I said so!" Faithfulness is a right course of action in the face of not knowing.

Yet, we hear the echo of history saying, 'beware of blind faith'. How about wide eyed faith? Here is an oxymoron worth a thought. Faith is the substance of things not seen. You can't have faith apart from blindness. It is hope in the face of the 'not yet'. Trust is therefore the challenge we have. When we act in faith and hope in the 'not yet', trust is what results from the successful outcome.

If I keep promises to my family, they grow to trust me. If I don't keep my promises, they stop trusting me. Trusting in God implies that we yield Him what is necessary for Him to answer our hope and faith engagements. Not trusting implies we have given up on God. It does not mean He has given up on us.

That is why I have faith. I am convinced; God has not given up on me. He will complete what he started in me. Because of God's forgiveness, mercy, salvation, comfort, guidance, acceptance and revelation, I trust Him. I hope I don't let Him down by my lack of faith, hope and trust. The good news is He still hasn't given up on us. Let this sink in and blind faith will seem the norm rather than the exception. Because He has faith in me, I have faith in you.

~ STANLEY

**BACK PACK MINISTRY
DONATIONS NEEDED FOR AUCTION**

Donated items are needed for the silent auction that will be held during the "Parade of Tables" Valentines Banquet fundraiser on February 12. The items can be large or small, new or gently used, services or gift certificates. To donate, or for more information, please contact Mary Mills at 704-736-9406.

**VALENTINES
BANQUET
SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 12
5:00 PM / FLC**



**BACK PACK FUND RAISER
'PARADE OF TABLES'**

You are invited to a parade of tables to include a meal, music, a silent auction and good fellowship. Enjoy a delicious meal for just \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 5-10 and free for ages 4 and under. We need volunteers to register to decorate a table. Proceeds from this event will help fund the Backpack Ministry. Registration forms to decorate a table will be available in Sunday School class rooms and from Mary Mills or Brenda Robinson. Tickets to attend may be purchased on Sunday mornings & Wednesday nights in the FLC from Mary or Brenda and in the church office. Nursery service for age 3 and under will be provided free with a confirmed reservation.

**SOUPER SUNDAY
February 5, 2012**

**Christian Ministry of Lincoln
County
Soup Kitchen Fundraiser**



This Soup Kitchen operates seven days a week, 365 days a year. During February, FBC will collect cans of soup for the Soup Kitchen. In addition, on Sunday, February 5, you will have an opportunity to donate \$1 to aide the Soup Kitchen in continuing to serve the HUNGRY of our county. Please pray for this ministry and give as God leads. Thank you for sharing with those less fortunate.

Sunday, February 5, 11:30 AM

YOUTH FUNDRAISER LUNCHEON

Immediately following 10:30 Winter Bible Conference

CHILDREN'S NEWS

KIDS - MIDWINTER BIBLE CONFERENCE - The kids will meet on Sunday night, Jan. 29 and Wednesday night, February 1st with Jordan in the Fellowship Hall.

DRESS-UP CLOTHES WANTED - Please contact Jordan Reich if you would like to donate clothes, props, or other items for kids drama and dress up.

ROOTS, SHOOTS AND SPROUTS - This discipleship for kids K-5th grade will resume on Sunday, February 19 at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

YOUTH NEWS

Sunday, Jan 29 - 3:00 PM Puppet/Praise Team Practice; 4:00 PM Youth Handbells; 6:00 PM Youth Join Winter Bible Conference

Wednesday, Feb. 1 - Youth join WBC

Sunday, Feb. 5 - 11:30 AM Youth Fund Raiser Lunch; 6:00 PM Youth Snack; 6:30 PM Youth LifeWalk

MUSIC NOTES

February 4 & 11 - All-State Youth Choir Auditions
The following sites are available to all youth who are interested in auditioning for the NC Baptist ASYC.

February 4: First Baptist Church, Shelby
February 11: First Baptist Church, Morganton
First Baptist Church, Huntersville

Note: Please see Phil Campbell for further details.



February 17 & 18 - NC Baptist Youth Handbell Festival at Friendly Avenue Baptist church in Greensboro. We will leave FBC on Friday at 1:30 PM and return at 5:00 PM on Saturday.

February 24 & 25 - NC Baptist Adult Handbell Festival. The Joy Ringers Handbell Choir will attend the state Handbell festival at the Park Center in Hickory, NC.

**“CRAFT”
MISSIONS OPPORTUNITY**

Come and join the TopAgers on Tuesday mornings at 8:30 AM beginning January 31 as they make “Mission Dolls” in the FLC Craft Room. We need folks to cut, sew, stuff, paint faces, cut yarn & string beads. Please call Diane Brogden (735-9867) or Paulette Michael (735-1969) for more information.

WEEK OF JANUARY 22, 2012

Weekly Undesignated Budget	\$ 16,050.46
Actual Undesignated Contributions	\$ 17,013.91
<i>Weekly Surplus</i>	\$ + 963.45
Weekly FLC Budget	\$ 1,698.12
Actual FLC Contributions	\$ 1,070.00
<i>Weekly Deficit</i>	\$ < 628.12 >
YTD Undesignated Budget	\$ 272,857.82
YTD Actual Contributions	\$ 304,696.11
<i>YTD Surplus</i>	\$ + 31,838.29
YTD FLC Budget	\$ 28,868.04
YTD Actual FLC Contributions	\$ 25,329.34
<i>YTD Deficit</i>	\$ < 3,538.70 >
FLC Loan Balance	\$ 703,772.09

Backpack Ministry	\$ 130.00	
Disaster Relief	\$ 115.00	
Foreign Missions	\$ 653.85	YTD \$ 12,748.85
Property & Operations	\$ 20.00	
Upward ministry	\$ 1,000.00	

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY 01/22/2012

Nursing Home	15
Sunday School	<u>321</u>
TOTAL IN BIBLE STUDY	336

8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE	134
10:30 AM Worship Service	<u>261</u>
TOTAL IN WORSHIP	395

***** PICK UP YOUR 2012 ENVELOPES *****

Please pick up your box of contribution envelopes from the hallway table outside the sanctuary. If you do not have one, please contact Susan Riddle in the FBC office.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Baptist Men ~ Backpack ~ Upward

Doris Abernathy	Jerry Harris	Betty Reyes
Lorrie Alshaer	Chris Justice	Brenda Rice
Jeanette Ari	Lee Kanipe	Carolyn Rudisill
Sharon Bondurant	Myra Kemp	Linda Schultz
Diane Brogden	Kate Knight	Tim Shain
Laura Caldwell	Margaret Land	Martha Shelton
Ralph Carpenter	Jackie Lockman	Tyna Skinner
Sally Carpenter	Jane Noles	Evangeline Small
David Chronister	Shirley Peeler	Rick Spake
Ralph Cline	Edna Pitts	Pat Sykes, III
Ray Dodgin	Joe Ray	Helen Turner
Jennie Free	Bud Reep	Sandi Turner

**Living With Diabetes
Support Group**

Monday, February 6, 11:00 AM

We will meet on the 2nd floor of the FLC in the classroom across from the walking track.

OUR CHURCH STAFF

DR. STANLEY W. SPENCE	Senior Pastor
REV. PHIL C. CAMPBELL	Pastor of Music & Worship
REV. EDDIE ANDREWS	Pastor of Youth & Missions
JORDAN REICH	Children & Activities Director
CINDY WHITE	Organist
SUSAN RIDDLE	Financial Secretary
PAMELA MCALISTER	Church Secretary
KATHY JACHOWSKI	Receptionist
RANDY CHERRY	Facility Manager
FRANKLIN HERNDON	Custodian
DOREEN MELTON	Children's Ministry Executive Director
CHASITY REID	Children's Ministry Director

**JANUARY
MEMORY VERSE**

“My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry . . .”

James 1:19

2012 READ THROUGH THE BIBLE

Jan. 28 Exodus 16-18; Matthew 16:1-12
 Jan. 29 Exodus 19-21; Matthew 16:13-28
 Jan. 30 Exodus 22-23; Matthew 17:1-13
 Jan. 31 Exodus 24-26; Matthew 17:14-27
 Feb. 1 Exodus 27-28; Matthew 18:1-20
 Feb. 2 Exodus 29-30; Matthew 18:21-35
 Feb. 3 Exodus 31-32; Matthew 19:1-15
 Feb. 4 Exodus 33-34; Matthew 19:16-30

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER - 5:30 PM

Wednesday meal participation requires a reservation. Weekly and permanent reservations or cancellations are scheduled by calling the church at 704-732-1101 and selecting extension 113 for the Reservation Voice-mail. *All reservations, changes or cancellations must be made by 4:00 PM on Monday.*

February 1 - Taco Bar, dessert, tea and coffee.
February 8 - Ham, macaroni & cheese, green beans, roll, dessert, tea and coffee.



**SOUP, SALAD &
 SCRIPTURE**

Join us if you are available for lunch on Thursday at 11:45 AM. Note: To give our preparation team a break, we will not meet on 5th Thursdays.

**SERMONS & SPECIAL EVENTS
 AVAILABLE ONLINE**

You may view a live stream of the 8:30 and 10:30 services on Sunday mornings by clicking on the ‘Sermons’ link at fbclincolnton.org. Live streams of special events and recorded sermons will also be available throughout the year based upon video/sound resource availability. Archive files can be viewed up to 90 days on the same webpage under the live stream box.

Weekly Volunteers - January 29

Deacon of the Week

Harriett Dobbins 704-732-1922

Worship Greeters

M/M Jim Thackston (1)
 M/M Don Pendleton (2)
 M/M Sherman Carey (3)
 M/M Harry Brogden (4)

Nursery Workers

8:30 AM Infants Rob & Kara Brown
8:30 AM Toddlers Neal & Shirley Alexander
10:30 AM Infants John & Becky Lockman
10:30 AM Toddlers Greg & Patsy Stroup
Wed., February 1 Peggy Andrews/Elaine Campbell

Sunday Morning Live

8:30 AM Gloria Thornburg
 10:30 AM Donna Tedder

Ground Surveillance Team

Kevin Starr / Chris Rhyne

Nursing Home

Harry & Diane Brogden and Max Anne Keener

Please remember to say a word of thanks to these and all of our weekly volunteers.