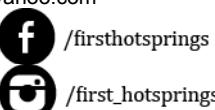


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# The Messenger

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## Happy Birthday!

Thur Nov 10 Ezekiel 13-14; Hebrews 5  
Jerrie Ann Sanders Marie Jones  
Carolyn Dodd Tommy Hargrove  
Anne Bailey Stephanie Treadway  
Linda Green Charlie Whitworth  
Sheila Maranda AJ Johnson  
Stephanie Cates

Fri Nov 11 Ezekiel 15-16; Hebrews 6  
Debby Atchley Gina Moore  
Mike Davis Greg Fretz  
Kate Webb

Sat Nov 12 Ezekiel 17-18; Hebrews 7  
David Vick Cissy Huggs  
Mike Wolf Janis Spraggins  
Jennifer Shaw David Cleveland  
Lynn Cleveland Tabitha Medley  
Madison Shinn Kendall Webb

Sun Nov 13 Ezekiel 19-20; Hebrews 8  
Shadda Tapp Bryson Ferrell  
Arianna Beckwith Clint Logan

Mon Nov 14 Ezekiel 21-22; Hebrews 9

Hebrews 10 Hebrews 11  
Dennis Green

Connie Bryson

Craig Viscardis

Tina Griffin

Parker Madlock

Wed Nov 16 Ezekiel 25-26; Hebrews 11

James 1 Wayne Mahner

Joyce Burkhead

Bernice Lowrey

Dennis Cummings

Misty Brock

Calvin Nimmer

Trey Lenox

Daniel Terry

Michaela Estricht

Thur Nov 17 cont. Omega Sanders

Ryan Doonan

Kiah Heard

## Door Greeters - Nov 13

**9:00 a.m.** Marie Colmenero, Bob & Bonnie Biles, Delaine Green, Erv & Jean Thomson, Jody Baker, Vernon & Beverly Gingrich, Charles & Carol Hill, Mary Pogue  
**10:30 a.m.** Jim & Jane Bledsoe, Pat Webb, James & Gloria Whitefield, Patti Lee, Betty Parker, Patti Heckmann

## Van Outreach Drivers

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday ..... North: Carlos Lemos, 538-1624 ..... South: Glen Catlett, 844-7565  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday ..... North: Roman Terlecki, 622-7735 ..... South: Mitchell McDill, 318-8333  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday ..... North: Jerry Sunderland, 762-3749 ..... South: Duke Haight, 815-4416  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday ..... North: Bob Roling, 545-5818 ..... South: Tony Payne, 617-6459  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday ..... North: Bob Roling, 545-5818 ..... South: Mitchell McDill, 318-8333

## Parking Greeters

1<sup>st</sup> Sundays ..... Brian Witt  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays ..... Clyde Shirron  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays ..... Gary Bettis  
4<sup>th</sup> Sundays ..... Craig Forbes  
5<sup>th</sup> Sundays ..... Jim Morgan  
Sub..... Craig Forbes

## Deacon Hospital Visitation

### Week of Nov 14-18

Monday ..... Greg Greeson  
Tuesday ..... Tommy White  
Wednesday ..... Doug Ross  
Thursday ..... Bob Hill  
Friday ..... Stacy Farnell

## Ushers - Nov 13

**9:00 a.m.** Brandon Jones, Duke Haight, Joe Woosley  
**Every Sunday balcony:** Mike Davidson, Mike Ferguson, Don Slaton, Tommy White, Donnie Sumpter  
**Every Sunday main floor:** Richard Hawthorn, Frankie Moore, Cole Morgan  
**10:30 a.m.** Richard Kuhn, Donny Moore, Bill Perry  
**Every Sunday balcony:** Robert Davis, Mike Ferguson, Jim Little, Ryan Smith, Mark Twyford, Glen Catlett, Jon Vitro, David Santillan  
**Every Sunday main floor:** Bill Richardson, Al Blount, Chris Brock

## Safety Teams - Sunday Nov 13

**8:30 a.m.** Jerry Franks, Vernon Brooks, Gary Segrest, Pete Davenport, Matt Parchman, John Slater

**10:15 a.m.** Chris Brock, Lee Carson, Kyle Benton, Bill James, Jason Blankenship, Tom Gray

**4:00-6:00 p.m.** Andy Miller

## Wednesday - Nov 16

**4:00-6:00 p.m.** Bill McGehee, Wayne Langston, Jerry Longinotti  
**6:00-8:00 p.m.** Herbert Gray, Tommy Hargrove, John Smalling

## Welcome Center Guides November

### 8:30 a.m.

**PS Ctr:** Kim Miller, Susan Blount, Brad Wreyford, Josh & Katy Wesson

**FH Ctr:** Jane Campbell, Nita Ingram

**Foyer Welc Ctr:** Connie Bryson, Janis Spraggins

### 10:00 a.m.

**PS Ctr:** Jake & Sarah Bird, Travis & Lauren Warren

**FH Ctr:** Juan Wheatley, Sandra Wilson

**2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Welc Ctr:** Roman & Pat Terlecki, George & Mary Harris

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance ..... November 6, 2016

Homebound TV Class ..... \*80

9:00 Connect Group ..... 466

10:30 Connect Group ..... 448

**Total Connect Groups** ..... 914

Worship Attendance 9:00 ..... 458

Worship Attendance 10:30 ..... 579

Hispanic Worship Attend 10:45 ..... \*39

**Total Worship** ..... 1,076

Children's Worship ..... \*52

\*Average



## New Members

Rae Mullis

Edith Terlecki

## Church-wide Thanksgiving Meal

Wednesday, Nov. 16 – served 4:45-5:45pm and the Lord's Supper at 6pm.

Fellowship Supper Purposes: Outreach, Fellowship, Ministry to the hungry, Convenience for families and individuals to participate in Wednesday night Spiritual Growth Opportunities!

We encourage you to invite lost and un-churched friends! Guests eat free the first time!

Family-\$16, Youth & Adults-\$5, Soup & Salad-\$3, Children 4-12-\$3

Children 3 years & under – Free. No reservations necessary.

**BIG**  
**SUNDAY**  
**NOVEMBER 20**

BE HERE. INVITE A FRIEND. GIVE AN EXTRA OFFERING.

## Pastor's Message

BIG Sunday has become something of a tradition around here the last few years.

**B** — Be in attendance.

**I** — Invite a guest.

**G** — Give an extra offering.

We do this on Thanksgiving Sunday (**Nov 20**) because what better way to express our gratitude to God than to Be in attendance, Invite a guest, and Give an extra offering. This is also Transform weekend for our youth. It's going to be a great day. Please be praying about that day and making your plans for BIG Sunday now.

Speaking of Thanksgiving, we will do our **annual Thanksgiving meal and Lord's Supper service on Wednesday, November 16**. The supper begins at 4:30 and the service for all ages begins at 6:00 in the sanctuary. This is always a moving time together as church family. You will want to be here.

Advent is just around the corner. We will enjoy **special musical/drama features** on December 4 and 11. **Would you be praying now about who you can invite to come with you to your Connect Group and to the worship time?** We really want to get guests to Connect Groups so they can make some connections with God, the Scripture, and others. This seems a wonderful way to bring our More Than a Face yearlong emphasis to a fitting crescendo. Let's leverage the natural spiritual interest of Christmas to get people to Jesus.

By the time you read this Election 2016 should be in the books and a new President-elect preparing to take office. I suspect no matter who is elected our nation will still be divided. Regardless of how the election goes, this may also impact the attitude of Christians. So we're going to conclude our brief series, **The Christian and the State**, by remembering who's really in charge of history. See you Sunday.

Your Pastor,  
John

# BUDGET REPORT

**Ministry Fund (11-6-16)**  
 Weekly Receipts \$57,776  
 Online Giving \$12,219  
 Total Given \$69,995

## All In Fund

Weekly Receipts: (11-6-16) \$15,260  
 Balance of loan: (11-1-16) \$2,824,741

Here at the beginning of the holiday season we have another new soldier to add to our list. Please keep these names close at hand and remember to send them a card or letter when you are sending out your other holiday mailings. We need to show our appreciation to our soldiers all through the year.

MR3 CARVIN, JACOB A. JEREMY MEADOWS  
 55 NIMITZ DR. HSC 777 ASB  
 PITI, GUAM 96915 APO AE 09330

Son of Belinda & Jerry Meadows  
 Son of Billie Jo Carvin

SSG KAY LYNN Brunt  
 HSC 777 ASB  
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Daughter of Jack Bailey



## Keenager's Thanksgiving / Christmas Luncheon

Thursday, November 10  
 11:30-1:00

Cost is \$7  
 We will enjoy BBQ Brisket, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Ice Cream and Cupcakes  
 Tea, water and coffee will be served.

Special Guest Speakers  
 Rodney and Diana, Missionaries



## First Baptist Quilters

Meet on the 1st & 2nd Thursday of each month,

9 AM til Noon in Room #3023 (3rd floor). We are quilting Quilts of Honor, to be presented to wounded soldiers. Anyone is invited to join! If interested, contact Marilyn Morgan at 520-4105, Henrietta Norman at 627-4618 or Cheryl Nichols at 622-9002.

## Fitness & Recreation Ministry

(All sign ups and resources are available at the Fitness/Recreation Ministry HQ.)



### Thanks to all the volunteers who helped with evaluations these past weeks!

You helped us to have a smooth start to our 16<sup>th</sup> season! Kinzee Almond; Jjesus, Mikayla, & Hayzten Anaya; Brooks Bell; Al Blount; Quion Brock; Amanda Bryson; Danny Bryson; John-Martin Burkland; Ashley, Blake, & Elley Claire Buttrum; Shirley Chapman; Paula Deist; Freddy, Lorrie, Leighton, & Jaden Hall; Judy Hargrove; Jamie Humble; Dennis James; Dawn Kellar; Lynn Linington; Jerry Longinotti; Wilma Mansfield; LB Pettigrew; Margarito Ramirez; Kelly & Vickie Robbins; Don & Martha Robertson; Doug & Will Ross; Christa Sheppard; Don Slaton; Josh, Miki, & Paxton Smith; Julie Smith; Carson Spriggs; Carolyn Stokes; Pat & Roman Terlecki; Bill Walker; Jane Yahoda; Jane Yamauchi

**We are almost maxed out for this season with 109 players on 16 different teams! Sign up today to claim one of the few remaining vacancies!**

- Kindergarten Coed: 4 teams (NO vacancies)
- 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> grade girls: 6 teams (**6 vacancies**)
- 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> grade boys: 6 teams (**6 vacancies**)

### It's time to get on board for this coming Upward season!

We need you to serve in some capacity. Look below for the opportunities to serve, then let Wallace know asap! Thank you for helping invest in the children and families of our community as we seek to impact eternity!



#### REQUIRED VOLUNTEERS

- Prayer Team: 100
- Kindergarten Coed: **1 more** head coaches/assistants
- 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Girls: **2 more** head coaches/assistants
- 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Boys: **1 more** head coach/assistant
- Referees: 12

Scoreboard & Concessions: to be determined

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**Join us for Sunday morning fellowship in the gym between Worship Services/Connect Groups.** Here's the rotation schedule:



**Nov 13: S, T, U** Dec 11: F, G, H  
 Nov 20: V, W, X, Y, Z Dec 18: I, J, K, L  
 Nov 27: A, B Dec 25: M, N  
 Dec 4: C, D, E Jan 1: O, P, Q, R

Until we all fall down, Wallace



Warmest Christian sympathy is extended to Richard Krause and family in the death of his wife, Sharon Krause. May God bless and comfort you.



## Education & Outreach Ministry

### Singles 2 Aspire Connect Group Restarts

- Co-ed group for 30+ years Single Adults
- Sundays at 9:00am in Room 131-Northside
- Kari Bars – Teacher
- Relevant Bible Studies for this Life Stage and interest
- Great fellowship and friendship
- Come join them or invite someone!

### Good Momentum for Connect Groups:

Don't just count on your email news, personally Invite "More than a Face" Friends and other prospects!

**Nov. 16 – Church-wide Thanksgiving Meal 4:45-5:45 and Lord's Supper at 6pm. \$5.00-Adults**

**Nov. 20 – BIG Sunday (Be there, Invite someone, Give an extra Offering)**

**Leading into a Christmas Strategy: Propel Prospects toward Connect Groups!**

**Dec. 4 – Invite to Children's Christmas Music & Connect Group**

**Dec. 11 – Invite to Adult Christmas Music & Connect Group**

**Dec. 18 – Invite to Final Connect Group of 2016**

**Invite prospects, members and in-service members to your Christmas Parties!**

**Dec. 24 – Invite to Christmas Eve Service & Connect Group**

**Dec. 25 and Jan. 1 – No Connect Groups, 10:30 Service only.**

**Engage New Year's resolution-makers with a Connect Group!**

### Special Needs Teachers Needed!

If you would be interested in the possibility of teaching with our Adult Special Needs Connect Group, please call Danny. We can use more help as this class is growing.

### Connect Groups (Sunday School)

**\* Go and Make Disciples of all Nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you!**

Let's Make Disciples who Make Disciples and Build Community that's Contagious to the Community! [Everyone needs to find a group and Connect!](#)

Love, Danny



For Langston Aerospace Elementary School. Each year they collect old shoes for third world countries where they are repurposed and the proceeds help with clean water projects. Take time to purge your closets of any style, age, quantity, size, or condition of shoes and bring to church office by **November 27**.

Our own Bernice Lowery will collect.



## Operation Christmas Child

### Collection Week

begins this Monday, November 14-20.

This is a Christmas gift for a child so

let's make them fun!

- Include toys, games, and candy, but leave out any war-type toys, liquids & lotion, and chocolate.
- If you wish, include a photo of your family and a note to the child.
- The shipping donation can be made online or place check or cash for all boxes inside one box.
- Rubber band the box but do not tape.
- Bring boxes to the OCC booth in the church lobby by or before **Nov 20**

Please pray that God will bless these gifts and the children receiving them.

### Sisterhood Fellowship!

**We will meet the 3rd TUESDAY of the month!**

November 15th, 5:00 pm at Outback Steakhouse  
 Even if you haven't been in awhile or have never been, we'd still like to see you. Please RSVP to Glenda White, 318-5291, Dee Stelzried, 623-7725 or Billie Wilson, 463-9274.

*let's Gather Together*

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE SECOND ANNUAL

*Thanksgiving Lunch*

THANKSGIVING DAY 11AM - 1PM  
 FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FAMILY LIFE CENTER  
 HOSTED BY THE SENIOR ADULT 2 SYNERGISTIC CLASS



*Serve or simply eat.*

### Wednesday Night Supper Menu November

(soup, salad, and fries always served)

- 9th: BBQ Ribs, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, Corn Dog, Pie
- 16th: Church-wide Thanksgiving Meal-Turkey, Ham and all the trimmings, Pie
- 23rd: No meal or activities
- 30th: Pork Loin, Dressing, Yams, Green Peas, Hamburger, Cake