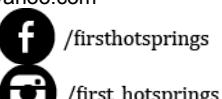


FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
2350 Central Avenue  
Hot Springs, AR 71901  
Ph. (501) 624-3345/Fax (501) 624-2804  
Weekday Preschool (501) 624-7083  
Email us at: [fbchsark@yahoo.com](mailto:fbchsark@yahoo.com)

[firsthotsprings.com](http://firsthotsprings.com)



[@firsthotsprings](http://firsthotsprings.com)

[@firsthotsprings](http://firsthotsprings.com)

Nonprofit Organization  
U.S. POSTAGE  
PAID  
Hot Springs, AR  
Permit No. 192

Return Service Requested

# THE MESSENGER

Volume 34, Issue 14, April 3, 2019

Invite Everyone, Invest In People, Impact Eternity



Scan here to go directly  
to the FBC webpage.

## Basic Weekly Schedule

### Sunday Worship

Classic Service 9:00 a.m.  
Celebration Service 10:30 a.m.

### Connect Groups

9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

### Wednesday Nights

Dinner 4:45-5:45 pm  
Prayer /Bible Study 6:00 pm

### TV Schedule Cable Channel 10

Thursday: 9:00 pm, Friday: Noon  
Sunday: 8:00 am, Monday: Noon

### Sunrise Sunday School

Sun: 7:30 am & 10:00 am

### Spanish Sunday School

Sun: 5:30 pm & 10:30 pm

## PASTORAL STAFF

**John S. McCallum II**, Pastor  
[john@firsthotsprings.com](mailto:john@firsthotsprings.com)

**John Bailey**, Senior Adult Minister  
[bjandbear@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bjandbear@sbcglobal.net)

**Lee Barnett**, Music/Worship Minister  
[lee@firsthotsprings.com](mailto:lee@firsthotsprings.com)

**Danny Bryson**,  
Education/Outreach Minister  
[danny@firsthotsprings.com](mailto:danny@firsthotsprings.com)

**Tyler Lee**, Associate Worship Pastor  
[tyler@firsthotsprings.com](mailto:tyler@firsthotsprings.com)

**Bill Newton**, Youth Minister  
[bill@firsthotsprings.com](mailto:bill@firsthotsprings.com)

**Mike Pounders**, Administrative Pastor  
[mike@firsthotsprings.com](mailto:mike@firsthotsprings.com)

**Margarito Ramirez**, Hispanic Pastor  
[magoram@sbcglobal.net](mailto:magoram@sbcglobal.net)

**Brent Roberts**, Children's Minister  
[brent@firsthotsprings.com](mailto:brent@firsthotsprings.com)

**Kyle Stevens**, Missionary Pastor  
[kyle@firsthotsprings.com](mailto:kyle@firsthotsprings.com)

**Wallace Yamauchi**,  
Fitness/Recreation Minister  
[wallace@firsthotsprings.com](mailto:wallace@firsthotsprings.com)

## Accepting donations through Easter Sunday



ANNIE ARMSTRONG TOTAL: \$42,236

# SHAKEN

APRIL 21 @ 8 / 9:30 / 11AM

[FIRSTHOTSPRINGS.COM/EASTER](http://firsthotsprings.com/easter)

## Pastor's Message

Easter is just a couple of weeks away. Please be faithful to scatter as many of the invite cards as you can. Don't be afraid to scatter them indiscriminately in your workplace, neighbor-

hood, or social club. In telling about the sower who went forth to sow, Jesus said he scattered seed indiscriminately. Some fell on hard ground, some on rocky and thorny ground. But some fell on fertile ground and produced a many-fold harvest. You never know what God might do with the card you share. So don't be picky about where and with whom you share them.

By the same token, please pick one person or family with whom to be more focused and strategic. Share the card. Pray each day for that individual. Invite that person to join you on Easter Sunday. If we will do our part to get people here, who knows what God might do to bring that person to Jesus. With prayers and gospel sown into their souls, God just might bring them to himself. Will you join me in reaching out to your one this Easter season?

As we continue on the move with Jesus in Mark, we will spend some time with Jesus at the base of the Mount of Transfiguration. Do you remember that story? Jesus and three of his disciples come down the mountain after witnessing Jesus' glory and walk right into a mess of human need: a boy terrorized by a powerful demon. Jesus told the boy's father that all things are possible to him who believes. Then, the father said something most of us have said more than once: "I believe; help my unbelief." Let's talk about that on Sunday. See you then.

## ATTENDANCE

March 31, 2019

|                          |        |       |
|--------------------------|--------|-------|
| Homebound TV Class       | .....* | 80    |
| 9:00 Connect Group       | .....  | 448   |
| 10:30 Connect Group      | .....  | 420   |
| Total Connect Groups     | .....  | 868   |
| Worship Attendance 9:00  | .....  | 451   |
| Worship Attendance 10:30 | .....  | 583   |
| Youth Retreat            | .....  | 61    |
| Total Worship            | .....  | 1,034 |

\*Average

## New Members:

Betty Myrick

Your Pastor,  
John

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

|                    |                   |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Thur Apr 4         | Mon Apr 8         | Sat Apr 13        |
| Judges 7-8:        | Judges 16:        | Ruth 3-4:         |
| Luke 1:57-80       | Luke 3:1-20       | Luke 5:1-26       |
| Gerald Wells       | Vivian Humphrey   | Martin Collier    |
| Valerie Wimsett    | Jana Wood         | Trinity Dooley    |
| Alejandra Villegas | Aiden King        | Michael Mattingly |
| Sheldon Shinn      | Tue Apr 9         | Bobby Green       |
| Cindy Woolery      | Judges 17-18:     | Lauren Buttrum    |
| Gracen Blount      | Luke 3:21-38      | Sun Apr 14        |
| Drew Cunningham    | Sarah Porter      | 1 Samuel 1-2:     |
| Garratt Mason      | Ron Hullet        | Luke 5:27-39      |
| Gabe Moore         | Brent Roberts     | April Jackson     |
| Fri Apr 5          | Don Opitz         | Michael Leal      |
| Judges 9:          | Lindsay Patterson | Jana Catlett      |
| Luke 2:1-20        | Brian Malloy      | William Chapman   |
| Luke Mangan        | Ally Ross         | Nita Ingram       |
| John Hough         | Wed Apr 10        | Andrea Jackson    |
| Vivien Mardis      | Judges 19-20:     | Leona Nelson      |
| Arnis Glover       | Luke 4:1-13       | Mon Apr 15        |
| Sat Apr 6          | Jean Cross        | 1 Samuel 3-4:     |
| Judges 10-12:      | J.P. Sutterfield  | Luke 6:1-11       |
| Luke 2:21-40       | Zoe Zoll          | Dinora Lemus      |
| M.E. Foster        | Marcia Schultz    | Emily French      |
| Andrew Haight      | Jerry Suit        | Elsa McCormick    |
| Dot Wilkerson      | Thur Apr 11       | Tue Apr 16        |
| Patty Robinson     | Judges 21:        | 1 Samuel 5-6:     |
| Cora LaMontagne    | Luke 4:14-32      | Luke 6:12-49      |
| Sun Apr 7          | Andrew Rima       | Raegan Nease      |
| Judges 13-15:      | Wanda Johns       | Ann Cramer        |
| Luke 2:41-52       | Mike Langhorne    | Michelle Johnson  |
| Jean Pitts         | Amy Sutton        | Megan Dyberg      |
| Rick Cherry        | Jamie Golden      | Bill McIntyre     |
| Allen Black        | Tera Drain        | Wed Apr 17        |
| Mathis Theodore    | Fri Apr 12        | 1 Samuel 7-8:     |
| Conner Freeman     | Ruth: 1-2:        | Luke 7:1-17       |
|                    | Luke 4:33-44      | Martha Blackwell  |
|                    | Barbara Watson    | Nell Harrod       |
|                    | Bronda Perry      | Ashley Hull       |
|                    | Joanne Moore      | Margaret Hoffman  |
|                    | Matt Posney       | Josh Smith        |
|                    | Holten Phillips   | McKinley Jackson  |
|                    | Chris Downs       |                   |
|                    | Mary Downs        |                   |

## Van Outreach Drivers:

|   |                                  |
|---|----------------------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday, North: Carlos Lemus, 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: OPEN                     | South: Duke Haight, 815-4416     |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday, North: Jamie Walsh, 293-1418    | South: Mike Prados, 762-7917     |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday, North: Jamie Walsh, 293-1418    | South: Mitchell McDill, 318-8333 |

## Deacon Hospital Visitation April 1-5

Monday: Chad Lockwood Tuesday: N/A Wednesday: Bill Richardson Thursday: Keith Baker Friday: N/A

## Education / Outreach Ministry

### Who's Your One?

"Who's Your One" you've been thinking and praying about inviting to one of our three Easter Services on April 21 at 8:00, 9:30 or 11:00am. Pick up some Easter invite cards to use. These are available at all welcome centers.

### Everyone Needs to Find a Group and Connect!

#### Connect Groups help you:

Connect with God!

Connect with Each Other!

Connect with New People!

Directories and Guides are available at Welcome Centers.

Invite your friends or better yet, bring them Sunday at 9 or 10:30 and we will help them find a Connect Group!

### "Everybody Needs to Know ..."

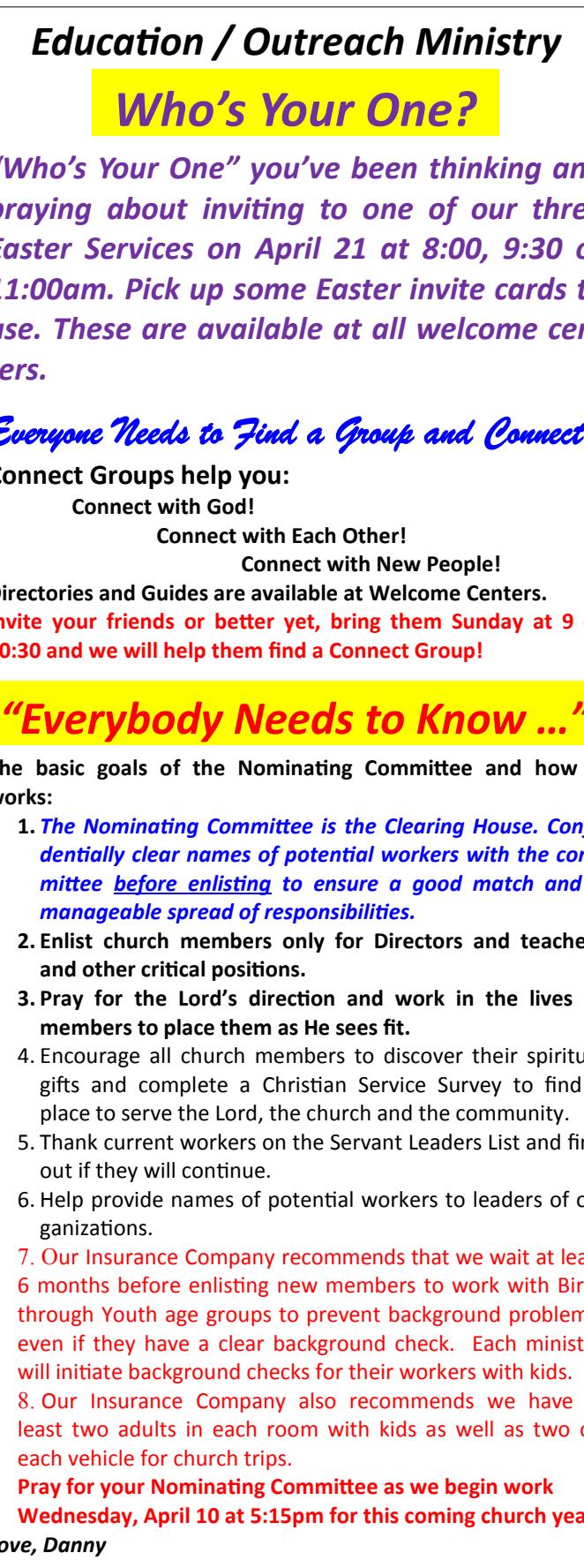
The basic goals of the Nominating Committee and how it works:

1. **The Nominating Committee is the Clearing House. Confidentially clear names of potential workers with the committee before enlisting to ensure a good match and a manageable spread of responsibilities.**
2. Enlist church members only for Directors and teachers and other critical positions.
3. Pray for the Lord's direction and work in the lives of members to place them as He sees fit.
4. Encourage all church members to discover their spiritual gifts and complete a Christian Service Survey to find a place to serve the Lord, the church and the community.
5. Thank current workers on the Servant Leaders List and find out if they will continue.
6. Help provide names of potential workers to leaders of organizations.
7. **Our Insurance Company recommends that we wait at least 6 months before enlisting new members to work with Birth through Youth age groups to prevent background problems, even if they have a clear background check. Each minister will initiate background checks for their workers with kids.**
8. **Our Insurance Company also recommends we have at least two adults in each room with kids as well as two on each vehicle for church trips.**

**Pray for your Nominating Committee as we begin work**

**Wednesday, April 10 at 5:15pm for this coming church year.**

**Love, Danny**



## Fitness & Recreation Ministry

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

**We completed Upward Basketball Season 18 last month. And after serving for eight seasons, Blake and Ashley Buttrum have resigned as Upward Directors.**

As the Upward Directors did before them, Blake and Ashley invested many days praying, planning, recruiting, training, and managing the Upward Basketball ministry to our community. Their ministry extended months before and after every seven-game season. Many of you have benefited from their leadership as they have poured into your children or grandchildren. I am grateful for their partnership in the ministry and excited for what God will lead them to next. I hope you will join me in thanking Blake, Ashley, and Elley Claire for their Upward leadership ministry.



**Additionally, in our continuing pursuit of excellence, we successfully implemented a few changes to our Upward ministry.**

Most notably, we moved away from the large group season-ending Awards Celebration with guest entertainers in favor of individual team ceremonies where parents/guardians were encouraged to offer verbal and written blessings to their player(s). We have heard positive remarks about this change and are excited about how it can impact the children, the families, and their futures! More about that later.

\* \* \* \* \*  
**Register online at [www.fbcrcreation.com](http://www.fbcrcreation.com)**  
 to volunteer with **UPPER LEVEL basketball**. We have vacancies for 2 more coaches, 6 more administrative helpers, and 10 more player partners.

to sign up for **church-league summer softball**. Men's division (Monday nights), Coed division (Friday nights). We'll make a youth team if we get enough players aged 15-18 years old.  
**to sign up for Children's Summer Specialty Camps.** Current camp offerings are Mosaics (June 24-27) and Sewing (July 22-25).

\* \* \* \* \*  
**Sunday morning Meet & Greet Fellowships**  
**Sundays, 10:00 am in the gym**

We invite **everyone** to join us for relaxed fellowship and light snacks every Sunday in the gym between Worship Services/Connect Groups. This is one of the easiest places to get to know others. Find someone you don't know and introduce yourself! They will surely be grateful! And just a reminder for **church members**, please provide snacks according to the first initial of your last name as scheduled below:

|  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| April 7: V, W, X, Y, Z, A, B                 | April 28: I, J, K, L |
| April 14: C, D, E                            | May 5: M, N          |
| April 21: Easter-<br>No Meet & Greet F, G, H | May 12: O, P, Q, R   |
|  | May 19: S, T, U      |

*Until we all fall down, Wallace*

## BUDGET REPORT

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| <b>Ministry Fund</b> (3-31-19) |          |
| Weekly Receipts                | \$40,352 |
| Online Giving                  | \$8,760  |
| Total Given                    | \$49,112 |

|                                    |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| <b>GCF (Great Commission Fund)</b> |         |
| Weekly Receipts: (3-31-19)         | \$1,585 |

If you prefer to give your tithes and offerings on-line, go to our website, [firsthotsprings.com](http://firsthotsprings.com), and follow the giving prompts. Please make sure the office has your current email address.

## DEACON OF THE WEEK

March 31: 9:00am-Brian Bell 10:30am-Al Blount

## GROUPS & CLASSES

### First Baptist Quilters

Meet on the 1st & 2nd Thursday of each month, 9 AM til Noon in Room #129. 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, Henryetta Norman at 627-4618 or Cheryl Nichols at 622-9002.

### Comfort in Christ

Provides support to all women who have suffered the loss of a loved one. This woman-to-woman group offers support during the journey from grief to healing, prayer and encouragement, and a safe and understanding place to share one's thoughts, feelings and experiences. Books, handouts, devotionals, and other resources with a spiritual emphasis are provided to help each person regarding the grief process. This group meets the first Thursday of the month at 2 pm in the home of the leader, Rhonda Frederick. Please contact her at 501-538-3911, for more info.

## THANK YOU

A thank you note has been received from Betty Williams. You may view Thank you notes on the bulletin board across from the 2nd floor elevator.

## SYMPATHY

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Marguerite Robbins; Angela & Jason Dugger and family in the death of her mother, Mary Ann Raney; and Daniel & Louise Sindell and family in the death of his mother, Irma Hall. May God bless and comfort you.

## Wednesday Night Supper April

Soup, salad and fries always served

- 3: Taco/Potato Bar, Pie
- 10: BBQ Ribs, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Corn Dog, Cake
- 17: Chicken Fried Steak, Black-eyed Peas, Pizza, Pie
- 24: Roast Beef, Potatoes, Green Beans, Chicken Strips, Cake