



February Birthdays

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| 1 Angel House | 18 McKenzie Jordan |
| 3 Marie Edwards | 18 Troy Kearney |
| 6 Aubrey Campbell | 18 Aaron Rider |
| 6 Ronald Champion | 19 Laura Olsson |
| 7 Charles Oakley | 20 Logan Hall |
| 7 Noah Wilder | 20 Seth Jordan |
| 7 Martha Williams | 20 Tamia Olsson |
| 8 Robert Barnes | 20 Patsy Tolbert |
| 8 Chad Oakley | 20 Austin Wilkins |
| 9 Madison Pearce | 21 Kevin Coats |
| 9 Stella Zaldana | 23 Jean Chappell |
| 11 Doris Merritt | 23 Sofia Cole |
| 13 Brian Hanson | 23 Lib Holder |
| 13 Len Jackson | 24 Casey |
| 13 Cindy Mobley | Preddy |
| 13 Freda Penney | 24 Costello |
| 13 Meredith Wilkins | Ramey |
| 14 Nancy Davis | 25 Joey Lyles |
| 16 Marie Hodge | 26 Kaye King |
| 16 Nathan Hymiller | 27 Dianne Hoyle |
| 17 Trent Bray | 27 Larry Kearney |
| 17 Travis Coats | 27 Peggy McGhee |
| | 29 Anethia Collins |
| | 29 Madison Poupard |



A Missions Moment

The Fellowship Meal is February 6 at 6:00 P.M.. The menu is loaded potato soup, garlic cheese biscuits, dessert, and a beverage.

There will be an R.A./G.A. pancake breakfast on February 17 at 8:30 A.M. to raise money for summer camp.

Our church is hosting a blood drive for the American Red Cross on February 23 beginning at 8:00 A.M.. If you would like to help and/or give blood, please sign up in the Welcome Center.

We are recording audio CD's for our Homebound members and for those who would like a copy of our worship services. Please let us know if you know of someone who would like to receive a CD.

Would you prayerfully consider serving in South Cuba this summer? Dates are June 21-28. Please see Thomas if you are interested.

Pray for opportunities to serve in our community and beyond. In Jesus' name. We are asking that you pray for those in our circle of influence, in our workplaces, in our families, and those who God is allowing us to meet daily. No encounter is by accident. Each one is for a reason, divinely orchestrated. We only get one shot at life. There are no do-overs, no second chances, no re-takes. Let us live out our faith like it's our last day on this planet. Let us be sensitive to the Holy Spirit and respond in obedience to His urging.

Thomas Reid and Carol Abbott

Serving in February

February 3

Deacons of the Week: Ryland Grissom (919-795-6883)
Vance Mendenhall (919-495-2598)

Greeters: Chris Carter, Linda Newton

Ushers: Jodie Bowman, Scott Bowman, J.R. Mendenhall,
Vance Mendenhall

Ushers for March 3: Jodie Bowman, Scott Bowman,
J.R. Mendenhall, Vance Mendenhall

Preschool Workers: Cindy Hardy, Susan Leonard

February 10

Deacons of the Week: Andy Hoyle (919-417-2942)
Sam Jordan (919-625-8405)

Greeters: Youth

Ushers: Bradley Grissom, Ryland Grissom, Gary Nelms,
Patsy Tolbert

Ushers for March 10: Bradley Grissom, Ryland Grissom,
Gary Nelms, Patsy Tolbert

Preschool Workers: Kassie Grissom, Sue Grissom

February 17

Deacons of the Week: Dottie Averette (919-495-0143)
Karl Righter (919-777-4349)

Greeters: Rosemary Champion, Linda Newton

Ushers: Youth

Ushers for March 17: Youth

Preschool Workers: Carol Abbott, Kris Hicks

February 24

Deacons of the Week: Linda Newton (919-495-0790)
Patsy Tolbert (1-540-570-6464)

Greeters: Bill and Sarah Hagwood, Beverly Ramey

Ushers: Daniel Hymiller, Sam Jordan, Dennis Leonard,
Ray Yarborough

Ushers for March 24: Daniel Hymiller, Sam Jordan,
Dennis Leonard, Ray Yarborough

Preschool Workers: Cindy Hardy, Patsy Tolbert

Ushers for March 31: Amy Mitchell, Shane Mitchell,
Ken Wilson, Robin Wilson

Children's Church Worker for February: Tillie Pickard



Patrick's Musical Passages



Paul, in his letter to the church in Thessalonica, defines the three cornerstones of the Christian life (1 Thess. 1:3): Faith, Hope and Love. A faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, manifested in our obedience to do His will in our lives every day. Our hope in Jesus and His faithfulness to all His promises, including His soon return. A life defined by love for God and a labor of love toward others. And through the power of the Holy Spirit, we become imitators of Jesus' example to all believers (1 Thess. 1:6-7). Let us resolve to do the same.

I am resolved to follow the Savior
Faithful and true each day
Heed what he sayeth
Do what He willeth
He is the Living Way. - Palmer Hartsough
Patrick Woods

FBC Ladies

The FBC Ladies meet on the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall. They are studying "Twelve More Women of the Bible," and they are working on some exciting mission projects, including one with the Franklinton Senior Center. Please see Carol Abbott for details!

Catching up with Our Youth

The Youth are looking forward to a time of fun and fellowship on Disciple Now weekend, March 1 and 2. Please see Sarah Outhouse for details.

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The DISCIPLE

“...go and make disciples in all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and then teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you; and be sure of this—that I am with you always, even to the end of the world.” Matt. 28:19-20

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February is another of the “Hallmark months” to celebrate the gift of love, but in the Kingdom of God it is something we celebrate every day. We turn our thoughts and attention to love each Valentine's Day. We recognize it, we cherish it, and we celebrate it. We shower our loved ones with gifts of flowers, jewelry, or candy. We create memories through special nights spent together.

Cost is no concern because the love we have is priceless. We declare our devotion, love, and faithfulness to each other. However, in this magnificent and emotional celebration, is it possible we've forgotten something?

I found this excerpt from an article from *Family Life* entitled “*Missing Something This Valentine's Day? Recognizing Expressions of True Love ... from God*” by Rob Flood:

God created love and then gave it to us to enjoy and to share. He created love in all of its pure forms—romantic love, brotherly love, parental love, familial love, and sacrificial love, and gave them all to us as gifts.

What are these expressions of love? What Valentine's Day gifts have we received from God? Too many to count...but here are a [couple]:

Creation: *Have you ever stood at the foot of a mountain....Perhaps you've stood on the shore of the sea. Perhaps it's been the edge of the Grand Canyon. In any case you were probably like so many others—breathless and speechless. Pause there for a moment. Happy Valentine's Day! Dwarfed by what we see, we are reminded of God—the lover of our souls. His great hand created the heavens and the earth. Though He is mighty and holy, He cares for you (Psalm 8:4). The vastness of His creation is surpassed by the depth of His love for you.*

Pause. Happy Valentine's Day! The signature of Jesus found in creation's immensity is also upon each microscopic molecule. He cares for the sparrow and the strand of DNA—are you not worth much more than they? (Matthew 6:26).

His Son: *Some of the greatest expressions of love are those that come at a cost.... In our time of need, God sent His Son to us. Christ accepted the great cost of willingly releasing His glory and taking on human flesh. Without Him, we would have perished. So why did God do it? Why did God offer His only Son to certain death? We are told over and over again: "Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13).*

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:16).

Pause. Happy Valentine's Day! It is this expression of love, this gift of a Son, that enables you to love. It enables you to know and love God. It enables you to love another.

This Valentine's Day, celebrate love like you've never celebrated it before. Love your spouse, your family, and your friends more deeply as a thank you to God. Love your Savior and your King more deeply. Recognize His love for you all around.

I Love You!
David

ONGOING CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

SUNDAY: 9:15 Prayer Time
9:15 Library Opens
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship Service
11:15 Children's Church
5:00 Deacons Meet (Quarterly)

MONDAY: 6:30 Al-Anon Meets

WEDNESDAY:

7:00 Prayer/Bible Study (Except Conference Time)
Conference (Quarterly)
Youth/Children Meet/Nursery Provided
8:00 Chancel Choir Practice

THURSDAY:

6:30 FBC Ladies Meet (2nd Thursday)

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