

the Vision

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF FIRST BAPTIST SHALLOTTE | AUGUST 2019

beach baptism Sunday

August 25 ~ 5pm

OCEAN ISLE BEACH COMMUNITY CENTER

no evening services at church

CALLING ALL LEADERS!

Saturday, August 10, at 9 AM is our annual Leadership Training, "L.E.A.D. Time," for all incoming ministry leaders and committee chairs. A light breakfast and lunch are included. Leaders should have received an email from Pastor Bob with details. Plan now to attend!

Church Events

- Aug 4th — Romania Mission Team Report
- Aug 10th — Leadership Training
- Aug 11th & 12th — Who's Your One Worship Rally & Workshops
- Aug 18th — Gideon Speaker
— Worship Care & Nursery Rally Point
— Worship Night
- Aug 25th — Beach Baptism
- Aug 31st — 2020 Budget Requests Due

Strategy 2019 and What Comes Next

Pastor Bob

Strategy 2019 that you adopted in April is now well under way. Phases 1 and 2, the installation of the upgrades to our Worship Center, were completed by July 26. So when you read this, we will have utilized the new system upgrades in the Worship Center for at least two weeks. We will still be fine-tuning the system and tweaking it for a while (thank you for your patience!), but the clarity in sound and video, along with the enhanced lighting, is already improving our worship environment! Thanks to Bo Watkins and everyone on the IT team for spending the extra time to learn and utilize the upgraded systems!

In fact, I want to thank the entire Strategy 2019 Team for their labor and long hours in shepherding this project through. Everyone on the team worked hard, and several, especially Tony Hall, the Team Leader, often stayed long hours and into the night to work with the crew from Draughon Brothers, Inc. Thanks Tony and the Strategy 2019 Team!

The upgrades focus on three areas: lighting, audio, and video. In each of these areas, we applied actual upgrades, meaning, old systems were replaced with new ones. The results will provide multiple long-term benefits. For instance, sound quality is richer and provides full coverage to the worship space, rather than mainly at the front, as with the old system; the new lighting eliminates many of the shadows created by the old lighting, and provides much more flexibility for staging and for an enhanced atmosphere; and the new video system provides for rich HD images, recording and, eventually, online streaming!

A few other upgrades will be made in the Worship Center over the remainder of the summer. Among them, we will be replacing the overhead lighting so we can better adjust the main lights throughout the area.

In addition, also included in Strategy 2019, here are other changes and improvements you can anticipate in the coming days:

- 1) **About the New Sign:** At the Quarterly Ministry Meeting in July, you voted to adopt a design for the new sign on Main Street. Unfortunately, since then we have learned that the ordinances were not clarified to our team, so we will need to be bring back to you a revised version.
- 2) **About the Doors:** Included in Strategy 2019 is the repair of our interior doors. That is underway.
- 3) **About the Interior Designs:** The Furniture Acquisition and Design Team is progressing, and as you can see the Welcome areas have been updated. Their work continues, so you will see more in the days ahead.
- 4) **About the Building Renovation:** The loan for our renovation has been secured, and the project will begin soon. A priority will be the new storage building, to be added adjacent to the north end of the Worship Center. We will chart the progress of the project and the retirement of the loan on the display at the back of the Worship Center. I am working with Tanya Jackson, our Sunday School Director, and other leaders, as we plan the use of the new classrooms and

Share With Me Your
"Who's Your One"
Testimony!

I WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!
HAVE YOU BEEN PRAYING
FOR YOUR "ONE"? HAVE YOU
HAD A COMPELLING GOSPEL
CONVERSATION. OR MAYBE
JUST A MOMENT WHEN YOU
KNEW GOD WAS WORKING
IN THEIR HEARTS? HAS GOD
SHOWN UP AND SURPRISED
YOU YET. OR DO YOU JUST
HAVE A GOSPEL CONVERSA-
TION STORY TO TELL? SHARE
IT WITH ME! JUST WRITE IT UP
IN A FEW PARAGRAPHS AND
SEND IT TO ME AT
PASTOBOB@
FIRSTBAPTISTSHALLOTTE.COM.

LET'S CELEBRATE WHAT GOD'S
DOING!



Serving Like Stephen & Timothy

Don Evans

There is no question; God is moving at First Baptist Church of Shallotte. The upgrades and renovations being completed by the Strategy 2019 team have lifted our spirit, and our praise to God. The Holy Spirit is working in the body of Christ too, as we ask God to lead us to new avenues of service to one another, and to reach those who have yet come to have a relationship with our Savior Jesus Christ.

Who will lead us where God is calling? Who will set the example, and inspire us to GO in His name? We know Pastor Bob and Pastor Michael are men of faith, and we know their hearts to be pure in their walk with Jesus. These men will continue to guide and lead us. Yet, as God continues to lead new families, couples, and individuals through the doors of First Baptist Church of Shallotte, we can't overload these two men of God.

The early church faced this same predicament. The church was growing at such a pace that it called for deacons to serve to minister to the needs of the church body and to reach those outside of the church. The first man chosen was Stephen; a man described as a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit.

Deacons at First Baptist Church of Shallotte are following in the footsteps of Stephen. We know firsthand

the increased need to minister to the body. To that end, your chosen servants will submit to our Pastors as they lead us to new avenues of service to you and your family. We are also keenly aware of the need to reach the lost in our nearby neighborhoods, and the deacons look to be obedient to the call from Jesus to GO in His name.

The Apostle Paul knew of the need for younger men to step up. He chose to mentor Timothy to follow after him. The deacons will continue to mentor as Paul did, to prepare for our future, and to ensure our faith grows stronger in the Lord. Young men, Timothy had concerns, he felt he wasn't ready to serve. Here is what Paul told him...

“Don't let anyone despise your youth, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity.” 1 Timothy 4:12

In His Love...

Don Evans – Deacon Chair

Worship Care and Nursery Ministry Rally Point: Let's Get Ready to Grow!

Our nursery is growing, and we expect more growth in the coming year! So let's get ready! All parents of babies and toddlers, workers, and volunteers, we need to meet, pray and plan together. Please stay after the 11 AM worship service on Sunday, August 18, for a short meeting. We'll refresh ourselves on important practices and we'll answer questions you might have. Lunch will be provided. Parents are especially encouraged to participate.

If you have any questions, please contact Jane Buffkin at buffkins@atmc.net.

Fifteen Years Ago This Month

*A GLIMPSE BACK AT WHAT WAS HAPPENING THIS MONTH FIFTEEN YEARS AGO.
HONORING OUR FIFTEEN YEAR ANNIVERSARY IN THIS BUILDING.*

- The Games of the XXVIII Olympiad were held in Athens, Greece
- The pedestal of the Statue of Liberty reopens after being closed since the September 11, 2001 attacks
- 89 passengers die after two airliners explode after flying out of Domodedovo International Airport, near Moscow.
- The explosions were caused by suicide bombers (reportedly female) from the Russian Republic of Chechnya.
- Michael Phelps ties the record of eight medals of any color at a single Olympic Games by winning six gold and two bronze medals

New To Our Family



Wes, Pam & Nick Jones

joined Jul 7

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the spaces that will be available with the additional storage resulting from the renovation.

What else can you expect to see happening in the last half of 2019? At the Leadership Training on August 10, our leaders will learn more about my plans and vision as we get ready to make the best use of our renovated facilities and upgrades!

At the leadership training we will also be focusing on crafting core values for our leadership at FBCS. Our staff is already working on this for our ministry team because it is a beneficial part of building teamwork and unity as we serve Christ together. If you are in leadership for 2019-2020, watch for my emails related to L.E.A.D Time on August 10 and come prepared for action! We will roll-out some significant proposals, and even some changes, so be sure you are there! (RSVP for the lunch to the church email.)

Then, August 18, the Sunday School, Nursery and Worship Care volunteers and parents are gathering for lunch and training after the morning worship hour. We will have a light lunch

together and plan for the anticipated growth of our nursery and Worship Care ministries this Fall. Parents especially should plan to be there!

And remember "Who's Your One"? It's still happening! Pray for your One and ask God to open a door to have a Gospel conversation! You can also attend the training in Fayetteville on August 12 (let me know if you plan to go). Along with that, I am planning to partner with the Sunday School teachers to offer some practical training on how to have a Gospel conversation.

And all of this is in anticipation of God continuing our growth at FBCS! But more importantly, it is to be sure that we are actively engaged in carrying on the task of fulfilling the Great Commission in our community.

With love in Christ,
Pastor Bob

Monthly Ministry Info

children

QUEST FIRST KIDS MINISTRY
WEDNESDAYS | 6PM

WORSHIP CARE AND NURSERY RALLY
POINT
AUG 18 | 12:30PM
ALL PARENTS AND CURRENT OR UPCOMING
VOLUNTEERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

fusion

BIBLE STUDY
WEDNESDAYS | 6PM

youth

BIBLE STUDY
WEDNESDAYS | 6PM

BEACH NIGHT AT OIB COMMUNITY CENTER
AUG 11 & 18 | 5:30-8PM

baptism

AUG 25 | 5PM
OCEAN ISLE BEACH COMMUNITY CENTER
CONTACT CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU WOULD
LIKE TO BE BAPTIZED

message

CONTINUING SERIES: "CONFLICT, CHARACTER, AND THE JOURNEY OF FAITH: THE LIFE OF JACOB"

men

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
WEDNESDAYS | 6:30AM

prayer

DEACON LED PRAYER
SUNDAYS | 9:30AM

missions

ROMANIA MISSION
TEAM REPORT
AUG 4 | 6PM

WHO'S YOUR ONE WORSHIP RALLY
& WORKSHOPS FAYETTEVILLE, NC
AUG 11 & 12

finance

CAPITAL FUND BALANCE \$113,510
DISASTER RELIEF FUND
BALANCE \$9,312

Bible study

"DEALING WITH EVERYDAY PROBLEMS:
ADVICE FROM THE BOOK OF PROVERBS"
WEDNESDAYS | 6:30PM
RM 112
LED BY PASTOR BOB

strategy 2019

WORSHIP CENTER UPGRADES
PHASE 1 & 2 COMPLETE, FINAL IMPROVEMENTS UNDERWAY

PROPERTY REPAIRS/UPGRADES
DOOR REPAIRS IN PROGRESS
MAIN STREET SIGN IN PROGRESS

FAMILY LIFE CENTER RENOVATIONS
LOAN SECURED AND FINAL PLANS BEING DEVELOPED

KEEP UP TO DATE ON THE PROGRESS OF
THESE PROJECTS ON THE BACK WALL OF
THE WORSHIP CENTER

worship

GIDEON SPEAKER
AUG 18 | 11AM

WORSHIP NIGHT TO INAUGURATE
WORSHIP CENTER UPGRADES
AUG 18 | 6PM
ALL WORSHIP AND MUSIC

fifty plus

HOSPICE DONATIONS NEEDED
PLACE DONATIONS ON THE TABLE IN THE
BACK OF THE WORSHIP CENTER. ITEMS
NEEDED ARE BOTTLED WATER, INDIVIDUALLY
WRAPPED PACKAGES OF CRACKERS,
CHIPS, COOKIES & PAPER TOWELS.

budget 2020

BUDGET REQUESTS DUE AUG 31
COMMITTEE AND TEAM LEADERS WERE
EMAILED BUDGET REQUESTS FOR 2020.
PLEASE COORDINATE WITH ANY UPCOMING
LEADERSHIP TO COMPLETE THE REQUESTS.

coming soon

FALL FESTIVAL & TRUNK OR TREAT
OCT 30 | 6:30PM

START PRAYING NOW ABOUT HOW GOD
WOULD HAVE YOU SERVE IN THIS OUT-
REACH EVENT!

TRUNK OR TREAT FESTIVITIES WILL IN-
CLUDE BIBLICAL THEMED TRUNKS, FOOD AND
MUCH MORE! PLEASE CHECK OUT THE
CHURCH NEWSLETTERS AND BULLETINS FOR
MORE DETAILS AS WE GET CLOSER TO THE
EVENT.

DESSERTS AND CANDY DONATIONS WILL BE
NEEDED. ANYONE THAT WOULD LIKE TO
HELP CAN CONTACT HEATHER BATH AT
(910) 470-8972, KATHY COLLINS AT
(804) 873-3358 OR ANY MEMBER OF
THE FALL FESTIVAL COMMITTEE.



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M-Th 9am—3pm; F 9am—1pm

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| Sunday School | 9:45am |
| Morning Worship | 11:00am |
| Evening Worship | 6:00pm |
| Wednesday | 6:00pm |

365 Days of Scriptures Revealing God's Promises

- Aug-01 PROMISE #213 The heavens declare My glory and reveal My handiwork. Psalm 19:1
- Aug-02 PROMISE #214 I rule the earth and all the kings belong to Me. Psalm 47:7-9
- Aug-03 PROMISE #215 You can trust in My faithfulness because My Word is true. Psalm 33:4
- Aug-04 PROMISE #216 I am good and My mercy is everlasting. 1 Chronicles 16:34
- Aug-05 PROMISE #217 I have cared for you from the moment you were born. Psalm 71:6
- Aug-06 PROMISE #218 I have even numbered each hair on your head. Matthew 10:30
- Aug-07 PROMISE #219 Through faith in Christ, you can boldly approach Me with confidence. Ephesians 3:12
- Aug-08 PROMISE #220 If you walk in the light, the blood of My Son Jesus will cleanse you from all sin. 1 John 1:7
- Aug-09 PROMISE #221 Trust in Me, and do not be afraid of what others can do to you. Psalm 56:11
- Aug-10 PROMISE #222 I will be your security and a safe place for your children. Proverbs 14:26
- Aug-11 PROMISE #223 I am your shield, your glory, and the lifter of your head. Psalm 3:3
- Aug-12 PROMISE #224 I will gladly give the Holy Spirit to those who will ask. Luke 11:13
- Aug-13 PROMISE #225 Forgiveness and healing are among My many benefits. Psalm 103:2-3
- Aug-14 PROMISE #226 If you rest in Me and wait patiently, you will inherit the land. Psalm 37:7-9
- Aug-15 PROMISE #227 I give power to the exhausted and I strengthen the weak. Isaiah 40:29
- Aug-16 PROMISE #228 If I am for you, no one can stand against you. Romans 8:31
- Aug-17 PROMISE #229 Though you have many plans, My purpose will be fulfilled. Proverbs 19:21
- Aug-18 PROMISE #230 If two of you agree in prayer, I will do whatever you ask. Matthew 18:19
- Aug-19 PROMISE #231 I will make you fruitful in your old age. Psalm 92:13-14
- Aug-20 PROMISE #232 Do not despise My discipline, for in time, I will heal your wounds. Job 5:17-18
- Aug-21 PROMISE #233 I bind up the brokenhearted and I will comfort all who mourn. Isaiah 61:1-2
- Aug-22 PROMISE #234 I will comfort you just like a mother would. Isaiah 66:13
- Aug-23 PROMISE #235 Your sadness may last for a night, but joy will come in the morning. Psalm 30:5
- Aug-24 PROMISE #236 I am pleased when you share with others. Hebrews 13:16
- Aug-25 PROMISE #237 I will keep you safe from the evil one. 1 John 5:18
- Aug-26 PROMISE #238 I will show mercy to those who are merciful to others. Matthew 5:7
- Aug-27 PROMISE #239 I bless My righteous ones and shield them with My favor. Psalm 5:12
- Aug-28 PROMISE #240 I will anoint you with oil so your cup overflows. Psalm 23:5
- Aug-29 PROMISE #241 You can celebrate because your name is written in heaven. Luke 10:20
- Aug-30 PROMISE #242 There is a special room in My house prepared just for you. John 14:2
- Aug-31 PROMISE #243 You can look forward to the new heaven and earth that I have promised. 2 Peter 3:13