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## The Pastor's Pen

This October is the month of new beginnings. It is this month that begins our new church year. We have completed our “Selah Year.” It was the year of our pausing and reflecting upon where we are and where God is seeking to lead us. Much of what we did (and did not do) was aimed to accomplish this. Now that that year is over we begin a new year gaining clearer focus of the vision God continues to give us. As we move forward the question we will constantly ask is “is what we are considering consistent with the will of God for First Baptist Church, Capitol Hill at this point in our lives?”

It will be a year of honoring those who have and continue to serve the church (Philippians 1:3 – 5). Too often we take for granted the love, service and sacrifice people have poured into our congregation. This year we will commemorate the work they have done.

It will be a year of discipling (Mark 10:43 – 45). To be a disciple of Jesus is to be intentional about how we follow him and to draw closer to him. A group of us have gone through the past year in discipleship training, seeking understandings of what it means to truly be a follower of Jesus Christ. The essential part of what we are doing is bringing this training to the congregation so that all of us will commit to being closer followers of Jesus Christ and to reach out to others so that they too will be closer followers.

It will be a year of nurturing and training (Matthew 5:1 – 2). We are working to make sure our Sunday School, Bible Study and nurture series more fully address the needs of our congregation.

- Sunday School (Sunday Morning Live!) at 8:45 a.m. will offer additional classes starting in November. One is on biblical concepts of managing finances. The other is “Facing Your Giants”, which seeks to help people to confront issues which appear bigger than what think they can handle.
- Young Adult Bible Study class Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. will focus on the theme “Discerning the Voice of God” (how do we hear God speaking to us).
- Two adult Bible Study classes: Wednesdays at noon and 6:00 p.m. – “Discipleship Essentials” (how to become more faithful in following Christ and leading others to follow); at 6:00 p.m. (only) a class on “Fruit of the Spirit”, exploring the gifts God gives for spiritual maturity.
- Several monthly nurture series will be offered during the course of the year (but will no longer be called “Selah” nurture series.). You will be hearing more about these in the near future. We will also take time with various groups in the church to refresh our understanding of our roles and responsibilities to the church and the Christian faith.

It will be a year of celebrating (2 Corinthians 8:1 – 7). We completed our Jubilee Drive last month, a capital campaign drive that started 5 years ago to pay down our \$1.8 million debt to approximately \$40,000 (as of Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup>). The last bit will be taken care of through persons completing their commitment to the Jubilee Drive and from the church’s budget. We will be debt free!

We thank God for bringing us this far and look forward to what God has in store for us!

Kelly M. Smith Jr.  
Pastor



OCTOBER 2017

*Called into Covenant with God* is a five-lesson unit drawn from the books of Genesis, Exodus, 2 Samuel, and Nehemiah that illustrates God's partnership with people who respond and agree to obey God's voice. God entered into covenant with Abraham, Moses, and David to work through history establishing a kingdom that will ultimately bring forth the Messiah. Based on the covenant with God, Israel was chosen as God's special people.

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**October 1<sup>st</sup>: GODS'S COVENANT WITH ABRAM**
**Adult Topic**

I Will Do This

**Youth Topic**

A Promise with Hope

**Children Topic**

An Agreement is Made

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**Background Scripture:** Genesis 15

**Key Verse:** Genesis 15:18 *On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram and said, "To your descendants I give this land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the great river, the Euphrates—*

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**October 8<sup>th</sup>: GOD'S COVENANT WITH ISRAEL**
**Adult Topic**

Be Ready

**Youth Topic**

Seeking a Promise

**Children Topic**

I Will Obey

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**Background Scripture:** Exodus 19; Isaiah 60:3

**Key Verse:** Exodus 19:17 *Then Moses led the people out of the camp to meet with God, and they stood at the foot of the mountain*

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**October 15<sup>th</sup>: OBEYING GOD'S LAW**
**Adult Topic**

A Covenant is a Serious Thing

**Youth Topic**

Be Obedient to the Law

**Children Topic**

Obeying the Rules

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**Background Scripture:** Exodus 20

**Key Verse:** Exodus 20:24 *Make an altar of earth for me and sacrifice on it your burnt offerings and fellowship offerings, your sheep and goats and your cattle. Wherever I cause my name to be honored, I will come to you and bless you.*

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**October 22<sup>nd</sup>: GOD'S COVENANT WITH DAVID**
**Adult Topic**

A Much Bigger Plan

**Youth Topic**

A Much Bigger Plan

**Children Topic**

A Great Promise

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**Background Scripture:** 2 Samuel 7:1-16; Psalm 89; 1 Chronicles 22:6-8

**Key Verse:** 2 Samuel 7:16 *Your house and your kingdom will endure forever before me; your throne will be established forever.*

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**October 29<sup>th</sup>: GOD'S COVENANT WITH THE RETURNED EXILES**
**Adult Topic**

Sign on the Dotted Line

**Youth Topic**

Learning from Mistakes

**Children Topic**

I Promise!

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**Background Scripture:** Nehemiah 9–10

**Key Verse:** Nehemiah 9:33 *In all that has happened to us, you have remained righteous; you have acted faithfully, while we acted wickedly.*

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**"The Power of the Blood"**  
Rev. Dr. Arrold N. Martin  
Scriptural Text: Hebrews 9:11-15, 22  
*Submitted by: Kathy Harrell*

Through the power of the blood of Jesus, we receive the promise of God-Eternal Redemption. Jesus on the Cross, intervened for us with His own blood to account for our sins. He became the perfect sacrifice. His blood provides us with everlasting Spiritual functions. It nurtures us, protects us, sustains us, and brings us back into harmony with God.

The sacrifice of The Blood allows God to see us as God originally created us-righteously before Him. We can go boldly before the throne of grace. We are obligated to a more holy living where we seek to bear ill-will towards none. We are now at peace with God.

What can wash away our sins; what can make us whole again? Nothing, but the blood of Jesus!

**Point 1. The blood of Jesus reconciles the believer.**

We have been reunited with Jesus Christ. No longer are we self-centered, but we are God-centered; our prayers, in all things, are 'Thy Will Be Done'. Our minds and hearts are stayed on Jesus in all that we do.

**Point 2. The blood of Jesus restores the believer.**

Our relationship with God has been repaired. We are not seen as sinners, but God now sees us through the eyes of Jesus Christ. God has moved us out of this world, making us new creatures in Him.

**Point 3. The blood of Jesus redeems the believer.**

We have been given the Gift of Salvation. Our debt has been paid; death has been defeated. We were bought with a price and are now justified by faith. Jesus is our refuge. None of us is a slave to sin, but each one of us is a slave for Jesus Christ.

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**"I Am Not Ashamed of the Gospel"**  
Rev. Dr. Adric W. Kimbrough  
Scriptural Text: Romans 1:14-17  
*Submitted by: Constantine L. Fenderson*

In the first chapter of the Book of Romans Paul said that he was unashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Paul wanted to go to Rome to preach the gospel to the Romans. He tried many times to enter the city but was deterred for one reason or another. The time was not right for him to go. The then Roman Emperor did not like Christians and wanted to let people know that anyone who spoke about Jesus would be killed.

Paul had to go through many things before he was ready to go to Rome. Before he became Paul he was on his way to Damascus to persecute Christians when God confronted him and made him a Christian who was not ashamed to preach the gospel. When Paul got the "green light" to go to Rome he knew that he was ready because he learned from his experience with God who converted him and showed him mercy. He believed that the awesome power of God would guide him in the city in which he was not welcomed.

As Christians we are sometimes ashamed about many things that confront us every day, but we should not be ashamed of the gospel because it has super power – the power of Jesus Christ which supersedes all other powers. Jesus used His power to heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, give sight to the blind and raise the dead. He suffered and died on the cross for us to believe in the gospel. We should never be ashamed of the gospel.

**August 20**  
**“Songs of Zion”**  
**Rev. Dr. Emilie Townes**  
**Scriptural Text: Psalm 137:1-6**  
*Submitted by: Conra Collier*

The people of Zion were not deceived; they remembered home and freedom. Their songs had been silenced; their harps were hung on willow trees during exile. How do we sing God's songs in a foreign land? We are in a strange and hostile land where some need not apply. Do we become cynical? Do we try to leave? We promise to remember and revere our homeland.

Live your life. Tell your story. Get out of God's way. Our faith demands seasons of struggle and moments of glory. We strive to move beyond the present to a better tomorrow. Remember who you are.

We are redeemed by God. We are His people. "The only time that success appears before work is in the dictionary". God brought the Children of Zion through Babylon. Sing songs of Zion in prayer and witness to suffering; sing in praise of our culture, for younger and older generations are watching.

**August 27**  
**“Where Do We Go From Here”**  
**Rev. Maurice D. Darby**  
**Scriptural Text: Daniel 1:18-21**  
*Submitted by: Deborah Luter*

We are now on the battlefield in this world today. With all the progress we have made as citizens of this nation, a lot of things still have NOT changed. There are still people who judge us because of the color of our skin. You really don't know where you are going if you don't know where you've been.

It doesn't really matter who sits in the White House because the inequities of the system still exist. What can we do when we have a chance to speak? Daniel understood his relationship with GOD. When you have a better relationship with GOD you can have comfort in knowing if GOD brought you to this, he can take you on further. If we stay true to our faith, GOD will deliver. There are three things to help keep you grounded on this righteous path.

1. Understand in the power of GOD  
 You will have to call on Jesus one day. Daniel's parents helped shape his spirit of determination; he was blessed with understanding in all vision and dreams

2. Invest in a healthy prayer life.

Always be praying in good times and in trouble. Are you prepared for the winter prayer season?

3. Stand on the promises of GOD.  
 He will never leave or forsake you. Hate caused the problem, love will bring him out. You can't fight hate with hate.

## Mark Your Calendar

### *Flu Shots*

Flu shots will be administered, free of charge, on Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup> immediately following worship service.

### *Ministry of Stewardship*

*Management Council Meeting*  
 Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

### *Annual Church Meeting*

Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**October Deacons of the Week**

If you should need pastoral assistance, contact the Deacon of the Week for assistance.

Week of	Deacon	Phone #
1 <sup>st</sup>	Ronald McFarland	(615) 331-0564
8 <sup>th</sup>	Beverly Brown	(615) 885-5334
15 <sup>th</sup>	Carol Boone	(615) 851-1527
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Ivan Davis	(615) 320-1531
29 <sup>th</sup>	James Collier	(615) 331-1378

**Blood Pressure Screenings**

The Health Care Committee will be available on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays to provide blood pressure screenings in the Frankie Pierce Lounge and on the lower level.

**Help Needed!**

First Baptist Church, Capitol Hill is in need of people who are willing to provide homework help to our children after school. Our church will begin offering homework help in all subject matters this fall. We plan to begin with Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Contact Jill Jones at (404) 723-5384 or Miriam Currie (615) 948-6580 to sign up if you are willing to help.

**Thank You!**

To Our Church Family,  
You have been very supportive during this difficult time. On behalf of the Smith-Risby family, we thank you for the cards, gifts, food and especially the contributions made to the FBCCH Jubilee Drive in memory of Edward.

Thank you for being a blessing to our family and may the peace of God be with you and bless you.

~Alice Smith-Risby

**Countdown to Christmas Ditty Bags**

It's time to start collecting donations for our Prison Ministry, Nashville Rescue Mission for women and children and Homeless Adults.

Our outreach ministry for women in prison: full-size shampoos in see-through bottles, soap, tissues, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, sanitary items, shower shoes (must be Black or Grey), folders, stationary, envelopes, stamps, greeting cards, pens and pencils, religious tracts, dictionaries (for GED program).

Gloves, scarves, hats and socks are needed for the shelters.

We will have Ditty Bags containers at both levels of the church.

Mona S. Hayes  
Church Women United  
Ecumenical Action Coordinator

**Children's Church** convenes every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays (September through May) in The Chapel. Children ages 5 – 12 are welcome. Parents may pick children up downstairs after the worship service is over. To volunteer, or for questions, contact Felecia Johnson at [fakcjohnson@aol.com](mailto:fakcjohnson@aol.com) or (615) 209-8035.



(October 4, 11, 18, 25))

**Hand Bell Choir Rehearsals****Praise Dance Rehearsals**

Wednesdays 4:30 pm– 5:30 pm

Saturdays 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

(October 7, 14, 21, 28)



Your supporters (53 households) who shopped at **Kroger** between **6-1-2017** and **8-31-2017** (Cycle 2016, Qtr. 4) have contributed to your **\$325.29** total donation. Your organization will be receiving a Kroger check in this amount within 30 days from 9/13/2017. If you have any questions, please email [KCR26@kroger.com](mailto:KCR26@kroger.com) or visit our website at [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com). Thank you for your continued support of your local Kroger store. Don't forget to use your newsletter, website, and events to encourage your supporters to link to your organization. The more your supporters shop with us, the more money your organization will earn!

Register Your Kroger Plus Card for FBCCH.  
Please refer to this number when enrolling.  
NPO number 15351

### LET'S CONTINUE TO REMEMBER THOSE IN NEED

The Benevolence Committee is requesting your continued support of donations of the following items:

- Seasoned and gently-used men's and women's clothing
- Children's clothing and toys
- Household items and linens
- Hotel-size personal care items.

For questions on where to deliver your donations or how you may be of additional assistance, please contact Rev. Arrol Martin. Rev. Martin is also available in the church office every Thursday from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm to receive and review benevolence requests.

**WINTER  
IS COMING**

*Will we be ready?*

The air will be getting a little cooler soon and the Room In The Inn Winter Shelter season will soon be here. Here at FBCCH we have been a part of the "Inn Crowd" for two years. We shelter eight men on Tuesday nights during the months of; December, January, and February. We look forward to your volunteer spirit to help use provide a warm place to stay along with a warm meal for the growing numbers of our shelter deprived citizens. We will be signing up volunteers during the months of October and November. Please consider what role you can play in this vital ministry of our church.

Volunteers needed for the following positions:

- Host/Hostess: Tuesdays 5:30 pm—8 pm
- Inn Keepers (men): Tuesdays 5:30 pm—6:00 am Wednesday
- Dinner Provided for 15 persons: Individuals, families or groups
- Laundry: Wash and return before the following Sunday. Potential to be on site.
- Persons to prepare Lunches for Wednesday departure.
- Persons to lead bible study.
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*For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, Matthew 25:35*

Arrol N. Martin, Ministry of Missions and Evangelism

### Walking on Wire

“So He said, “Come.” And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water to go to Jesus.” ~Matthew 14:29

Submitted by Joe Ella Darby, Ministry of Discipleship Chair

Recently, I participated in a high ropes course adventure. It had been well over ten years since I completed a similar high ropes course activity. I still dislike heights; the thought of falling is terrifying and fear of getting stuck mid-air while Zip lining is nauseating. Since it was part of our weekend plans, I put on my harness, helmet, and courage and began to walk on wire. I've heard that, “courage is not the absence of fear, but choosing to do it scared.”

This experience immediately made me think about Peter's experience walking on water, yet without a harness or helmet. Peter often gets a bad rap for not having enough faith and taking his eyes off Jesus, which led to his sinking. However, the fact that he actually got out of the boat, while the other 11 remained, was indeed very courageous. Can you imagine the crazy thought of denying physics and walking on water? Peter, seeing Jesus walk on water, figured he could do the same, as he wanted to be where Jesus was. Peter asked Jesus to bid him to come out on the water and Jesus did so.

I do not think I could be like Peter and walk on water. It was challenging enough for me to walk on wire and I was secure in a harness. However, I did begin to consider how I could be more like Peter and get out of my boat, my own comfort zones, and take more risks for God. I heard that, “If you want to walk on water, you've got to get out of the boat. If you want to experience the power of God in your life, you've got to take a step of faith.”

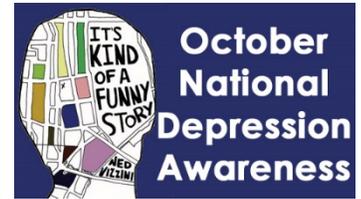
Before we are able to get out of the boat and experience the power of God, we first must be honest about whether or not we really want to get out of the boat. Many want to experience the power of God, yet from inside the boat. There are times when we will experience God in spaces of comfort, but there are many, many adventures that we can only experience with God as we take steps of risky obedience.

Since our SRW, I have been praying for God to give me courage to “Go Get Your Peter” and I have been intentional about participating in various activities that take me out of my comfort zone. Since it has been a long time since I was intentional in evangelism, I began by praying for God to keep my antennas up and tuned into the Spirit's activity around me. I want to see where God is at work and join God in that work. Some of my activities have included: walking more around my neighborhood and beginning to build relationships with my neighbors of a different culture; leading Bible studies at the women's rescue mission; and being sensitive to God at work with my coaching accountability partner, taking a risk and asking to pray for her. I later connected the dots so she could see how God was answering our prayers. She has now had a heart opening experience with God and I got to be a part of that.

What about you? How can you begin getting out of your boat and taking risks for God? Bid Jesus to call you to be with Him. Taking risks for God and stepping out the boat are not always about the big leaps of faith. It begins with walking on wire with a harness...one step at a time. If you happen to fail at an attempt, just remember you're wearing a harness of grace that keeps you connected to the larger process and plan. So, just stand backup and start walking again. Take joy in knowing God is with you every step of the way.

### October is Depression Awareness Month

Clinical Depression is more than feeling sad over life's ups and downs. It is normal to feel sad over unhappy events, death, divorce, disappointments, etc. But when these feelings persist for a period of time—say two weeks or more, it reflects being clinically depressed. That's when you need help. Depression can manifest itself in many ways. Beside tears— one can be restless, irritable, digestive problems, headache, backaches and other pains. Even chest pains and dizziness can be the result of depression. Thus, we all need to be aware of when to seek help. Your sadness will not necessarily disappear on its own. When you find that you are unable to carry on your normal activities that is the time to seek help. Women are twice as likely as men to experience depression.



Depression is a treatable illness—touting success more than 19 million people suffer some type of depressive illness. Over 80% can be treated successfully with medication, psychotherapy or a combination of both. ECT-(Electric convulsive therapy) is often recommended when people do not improve or cannot take medication.

Untreated depression can end in suicide. Depression is the 4th leading cause of Disability in the United States.

Afro Americans report more psychosocial stressors. It is usually severe at the time of diagnosis. Depression is less likely to be diagnosed as it appears more physical in nature. Blacks are 33% less likely to receive treatment. 63% of Blacks see depression as a personal weakness. Only 33% would take a medication for depression. There is a stigma. There is a fear of being labeled. Health Insurance may not cover the illness and having a fear of not getting hired by employers are some reasons blacks do not say they are depressed.

Help is available. Contact the FBCCH Counseling Ministry or the local mental health association (Mental Health America of Middle Tennessee -615-269-5355) for assistance.



### Bullying, Emotional Abuse, Suicidal Behavior Prevention in Adults and Youth

This seminar will address Bullying, Emotional Abuse and Suicidal Behaviors affecting our youth as well as adults. Come to hear the professional experts discuss how you can learn to address those negative traits.

When: Sunday, October 29, 2017 Time: 4:00 P.M.-5:30 P.M.

Where: Martin Luther King Hall, First Baptist Church, Capitol Hill

Sponsored by: FBCCH Counseling Ministry

# OCTOBER CALENDAR

01	<b>SUNDAY</b>  <i>Rose C. Busby</i> <i>Zelma Ewing</i> <i>Mercedes Faulcon</i> 8:45 <i>Mia C. Washington</i> 10:00 Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i> Worship Service
02	<b>MONDAY</b>  <i>Sondra Anderson Dade</i>
03	<b>TUESDAY</b>  <i>Adena S. Wright-Williams</i>
04	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>  <i>Carmen Howse</i> <i>Aisha Westbrook</i> 12:00 Noonday Bible Study 5:00 Fellowship Meal 6:00 Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>
05	<b>THURSDAY</b>  <i>Celeste Williams</i>
06	<b>FRIDAY</b>
07	<b>SATURDAY</b>  <i>Miles M. S. Slay</i> <i>Eric K. Wood, Jr.</i>
08	<b>SUNDAY</b>  <i>Chris McCall</i> 8:45 Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i> 10:00 Worship Service
09	<b>MONDAY</b>
10	<b>TUESDAY</b>
11	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 12:00 Noonday Bible Study 5:00 Fellowship Meal

6:00	Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>
12	<b>THURSDAY</b>  <i>Rosa Gayles</i>
13	<b>FRIDAY</b>  <i>Florence Crawford</i> <i>Virginia Suggs</i>
14	<b>SATURDAY</b>  <i>Carrie Gentry</i> <i>Steven Hobbs</i>
15	<b>SUNDAY</b>  <i>Joshua M. Ivory</i> <i>Chandra Pleas</i> 8:45 Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i> 10:00 Worship Service
16	<b>MONDAY</b>
17	<b>TUESDAY</b>  <i>Sheila Anderson</i> <i>Sean-Michael D. Coleman</i> <i>Vernell C. Neely</i>
18	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>  <i>Gabriel Faulcon</i> <i>Devontae Hamilton</i> <i>Joyce Laster Hayes</i> 12:00 <i>Brian J. Wood</i> 5:00 Noonday Bible Study 6:00 Fellowship Meal Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>
19	<b>THURSDAY</b>  <i>Charles Fancher</i> <i>Spencer Washington</i>
20	<b>FRIDAY</b>
21	<b>SATURDAY</b>

22	<b>SUNDAY</b> 8:45 Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i> 10:00 Worship Service
23	<b>MONDAY</b>  <i>Jeremiah Kirk</i> <i>Skyler Washington</i> 6:00 <b>Ministry of Stewardship Management Council Meeting</b>
24	<b>TUESDAY</b>  <i>Armari S. Basley</i> <i>Armani Basley</i> <i>Joice A. Jeffries</i>
25	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>  <i>Tyki S. Beasley</i> 12:00 Noonday Bible Study 5:00 Fellowship Meal 6:00 Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>
26	<b>THURSDAY</b>
27	<b>FRIDAY</b>  <i>Una Fenderson</i> <i>Rosa Mimms</i>
28	<b>SATURDAY</b>  <i>Ebony Robinson</i> <i>Theresa Washington</i>
29	<b>SUNDAY</b>  <i>Henry L. Caudle</i> <i>Felecia M. Johnson</i> <i>Vincent C. Johnson</i> 8:45 Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i> 10:00 Worship Service
30	<b>MONDAY</b>  <i>Martin Currie</i> 6:00 <b>Annual Church Meeting</b>
31	<b>TUESDAY</b>  <i>Michael Daughtdrill</i> <i>Kyra Hayes</i>

01	WEDNESDAY		<i>Jamal Buchanan</i>	12:00	<i>Victoria Knight</i>	5:00	Noonday Bible Study	6:00	Fellowship Meal	Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>
02	THURSDAY		<i>Mark Richardson</i>							
03	FRIDAY		<i>Kamryn Cruson</i>		<i>Asalean Springfield</i>					
04	SATURDAY									
05	SUNDAY		<b>Daylight Savings Time Ends</b>	8:45	Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i>	10:00	Worship Service			
06	MONDAY		<i>Terry Deas</i>							
07	TUESDAY									
08	WEDNESDAY		<i>Jesse L. Carter, Jr.</i>	12:00	Noonday Bible Study	5:00	Fellowship Meal	6:00	Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>	
09	THURSDAY		<i>Kevin Johnson</i>		<i>Evelyn Okediji</i>					
10	FRIDAY		<i>Kimiya Beasley</i>		<i>Robert L. Boone</i>					
11	SATURDAY		<b>Veterans Day</b>		<i>Alice Smith Risby</i>					
12	SUNDAY		<i>Danielle Anderson</i>	8:45	Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i>	10:00	Worship Service			
13	MONDAY									
14	TUESDAY		<i>Frances Baker</i>							
15	WEDNESDAY		<i>Lois Suttles</i>	12:00	Noonday Bible Study	5:00	Fellowship Meal	6:00	Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>	
16	THURSDAY		<i>Clara Elam</i>		<i>James E. McGriff</i>		<i>Leatha Williams</i>			
17	FRIDAY		<i>Dawann T. Westbrook</i>							
18	SATURDAY		<i>Jasmine Easley</i>		<i>Evelyn R. Gaines</i>		<i>Ruth Higginbotham</i>			
19	SUNDAY		<i>William McDaniel</i>	8:45	Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i>	10:00	Worship Service			
20	MONDAY		<i>Aaron Powell, Jr.</i>		<i>Rita W. Seay</i>					
										<i>Spencer Washington, II</i>
21	TUESDAY		<i>Titus J. Wootson</i>							
22	WEDNESDAY		<i>Carol Boone</i>		<i>Adrienne L. Fancher</i>		<i>Howard Smith, Jr.</i>		<i>Diantay D. Westbrook</i>	
23	THURSDAY		<b>Thanksgiving Day</b>		<i>Asia C. Adams</i>					
24	FRIDAY									
25	SATURDAY		<i>Ty'ki Beasley</i>		<i>Ty'kia Beasley</i>		<i>Jan Jones Carter</i>		<i>Melody Grace Neely</i>	<i>Allison Wootson</i>
26	SUNDAY			8:45	Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i>	10L00	Worship Service			
27	MONDAY		<i>Dorothy K. Fort</i>							
28	TUESDAY									
29	WEDNESDAY		<i>Anthoni Neely</i>	12:00	Noonday Bible Study	5:00	Fellowship Meal	6:00	Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>	
30	THURSDAY		<i>Jeremy Suggs</i>							



Daily Bible Readings for October

October 1 "Abram Enters into Covenant with God"	Genesis 15:1-6; 17-21	October 16 "Samuel Anoints David King of Israel"	1 Samuel 16:1, 11-13
October 2 "You Are God's Choice"	Deuteronomy 10:12-22	October 17 "God to Build the House of David"	1 Chronicles 17:9-15
October 3 "Prepare to Meet Your God"	Exodus 19:9b-15	October 18 "Resources to Build the Temple"	1 Chronicles 22:2-5
October 4 "The Triumphant Glory of God"	Isaiah 60:1-7	October 19 "David Instructs Solomon about the Temple"	1 Chronicles 22:6-16
October 5 "House of Israel, Praise the Lord"	Psalms 135:1-9, 19-21	October 20 "Extoling the Majesty of the Lord"	Psalms 89:1-15
October 6 "Revealed in a New Way"	Luke 9:28-36	October 21 "David, Prepared for Service"	1 Samuel 16:19-23
October 7 "A chosen Race, A Holy People"	1 Peter 2:1-10	October 22 "God's Covenant with David"	2 Samuel 7:1-6, 8-10, 12-16
October 8 "Worship God through Obedience"	Exodus 19:16-25	October 23 "Israel Gathers for National Confession"	Nehemiah (:1-5a)
October 9 "People Hear God Speak the Commandments"	Deuteronomy 5:22-27	October 24 "God, Creator and Covenant Maker"	Nehemiah 9:5b-8
October 10 "God's Exclusive Claim"	Exodus 20:1-12	October 25 "God Meets Rebellion with Steadfast Love"	Nehemiah 9:26-31
October 11 "Guide for Human Relationships"	Exodus 20:13-17	October 26 "Redeemer of Israel's Iniquities"	Psalms 130
October 12 "The Law Finds Fulfillment in Jesus"	Matthew 5:17-20	October 27 "Forgive Fellow Believers Repeatedly"	Luke 17:1-4
October 13 "Anger Leads to Murder"	Matthew 5:21-26	October 28 "God's Kindness Leads to Repentance"	Romans 2:1-8
October 14 "Lust Leads to Adultery"	Matthew 5:27-32	October 29 "Confession and Covenant Renewal"	Nehemiah 9:32-38, 10:28-29
October 15 "People Hear God's Word from Moses"	Exodus 20:18-26	October 30 "God is Always Faithful"	Psalms 44:1-8
October 31 "Performing a Good Service to Jesus"	Matthew 26:6-13		

**"We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember one another in prayer..."**



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If you are looking for a church home, we encourage you to come and visit us! There are several ways to become a member of FBCCH.

**Baptism** - when a person is willing to initially express a belief in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and is willing to live one's life according to His will. Baptism is the symbolic initiation into the Christian faith.

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**Watchcare** - when a person wishes to have his or her membership with FBCCH while he or she is temporarily living in the city.

**Associate** - when a person who has a membership in another church wishes to have a membership in FBCCH.

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