Thank You For Coming

If you are our guest, we have a special gift for you after today's service. So we can get to know you better, please fill out this tearoff section and bring it to the Information Center near the columns. We have a gift bag ready for you.

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From Our Pastor

Welcome to First Baptist Church. If you are our guest, thank you for joining us today. We would love to be able to get

waiting for you there.



We will begin a new preaching series called, "Facing 18." What are you facing this year? Maybe you don't even know what you are facing. In reality, we never know what a day holds. The good news is that we can face every day with faith and not fear.

Today we celebrate the ministry of Gary Ruffin. Gary has retired as our Minister of Education and Outreach. Never has a pastor had a better friend and confidant on his staff. I am blessed by Gary's ministry and friendship. Join us as we honor Gary this Sunday.

We will have a reception in his honor at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This will serve as our Evening Worship. In addition, if you would like to be part of a retirement love offering for Gary. we certainly encourage you to do that. We ask that you give that through the church offering making a check to FBC and memo for "Gary Ruffin Love Offering." Paul said as is recorded in 1 Timothy 5:18, "The worker is worthy of his wages." Let us honor our friend in a great and worthy

I am praying for you that today will prove to be an awesome encounter for you with the Living God.



January 14, 2018

Facing Eighteen: **Facing Our Future**

Sermon Notes

5 Promises for facing the unknown future:

1. God's	with us!	
2. God's		to us!
3. God's	available to us!	
4. God's	available to us!	
5. God's Ultimate	to us!	







JANUARY 14, 2018 FACING OUR **FUTURE**



Morning Worship

9:45 a.m.

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Welcome

Glorious Is Thy Name I Love You, Lord

Praver

A Strong Tower
First Baptist Choir and Orchestra

Message

Facing Our Future
Pastor Steve Horn

Invitation Hymn Jesus, I Come

Offertory Prayer

Ken Sims, Deacon of the Week

His Eye Is On the Sparrow First Baptist Orchestra

11:11 a.m.

Open Up the Heavens Lion and the Lamb

Welcome & Prayer

Lamb of God

Offertory Prayer

Mercy

Message

Facing Our Future
Pastor Steve Horn

Invitation Hymn

Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)

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The flowers are given in memory of Janelle Foshee by Elaine Turpin, Jane McKibbon, Judy Grimes and Louise Kirchberg.

Family Fellowship Supper

Menu for Wednesday, January 17

Red Beans & Sausage Smothered Cabbage Cornbread Salad

Dessert

Rice

Children's Menu

Fish Sticks French Fries



Enjoy a day trip to the Evangelism Conference at FBC, Pineville on Tuesday, January 23. Motorcoach transportation leaves at 8:00 a.m. and returns at 10:00 p.m. Your only cost is \$12.00 for lunch at the church and your evening meal at a local restaurant. Worship sessions and breakout seminars including music by Larnelle Harris and featuring "Miss Clara" from the movie, War Room. For more information call 593-3665 or email scott.mckenzie@fbclaf.org.

This Week

SUNDAY, January 14

8:00 AM Library and Coffee Shop Open 8:30 AM Sunday School 1

Deaf Sunday School

9:45 AM Worship

Sunday School 2 Hispanic Sunday School

11:00 AM Sunday School 3 Hispanic Worship

Chinese Sunday School

11:11 AM Worship

12:30 PM Chinese Outreach

4:00 PM Deacon's Meeting DivorceCare GriefShare

4:30 PM Adult Discipleship Classes
English Outreach (Chinese)

Preschool and Children's Choir Library Open

6:00 PM Gary Ruffin Retirement Reception Bible Drill (Grades 1-6) BLAST (3-5 year olds)

TUESDAY, January 16

6:30 AM Daniel's Men Breakfast 5:00 PM FAITH Supper

6:00 PM FAITH Evangelism

WEDNESDAY, January 17

4:45 PM Family Fellowship Supper 6:00 PM Midweek Service

Hispanic Bible Study
Ignite Youth Worship

GAs & RAs Mission Friends

Choir and Orchestra Rehearsals

THURSDAY, January 18

9:00 AM Precept Bible Study
Women's Bible Study
Prayer Blanket Ministry

6:00 PM Precept Bible Study Women's Bible Study

Spring Discipleship Studies for Youth, Children and Preschool

YOUTH: Feed the Dog

We have two fundamental natures battling for our attention on a daily basis—a sinful flesh and a righteous spirit. Through Christ, we have the ability to choose which nature we will "feed," leading us either further away from or closer to His likeness.

Sundays at 4:30 p.m.- begins Jan. 21

CHILDREN: Bible Drill

Helps children in grades 1-6 increase their knowledge of the Bible, develop skills in effectively handling the Bible, learn how to apply the Bible to their life, and to begin developing memory skills. **Sundays at 6:00 p.m.**

PRESCHOOL: B.L.A.S.T.

Preschoolers will have a lot of fun on Sunday nights with B.L.A.S.T. - Bible Learning and Singing Together.

Sundays at 6:00 p.m.

Adult Discipleship Studies This Spring

Precept Upon Precept: Ezekiel, Parts 1 & 2

God appointed Ezekiel as a watchman to warn his people of coming judgment. Seeing visions and performing signs, he called individuals to turn from wickedness to righteousness because God takes no pleasure in the death of the wicked. How does this message of Ezekiel apply to you? Are you grieved about the sin everywhere you look? Do you long for justice? Book by Kay Arthur.

Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. beginning January 11 Barbara Hotz, facilitator

Entrusted

This study will encourage you to guard what God has entrusted to you, further His kingdom by sharing Christ with others, and pour into future generations just as Paul once mentored Timothy. Because in this journey of joy and hardship, we need each other to stay the course and live a life of faithfulness. Book by Beth Moore.

Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. beginning January 11—for women only Dawn Deare, facilitator

Boundaries

Having clear boundaries is essential to a healthy, balanced lifestyle. A boundary is a personal line that marks those things for which we are responsible. They can be physical, mental, emotional and spiritual. In other words, boundaries define who we are and who we are not. Book by Dr. Henry Cloud and Dr. John Townsend.

Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. beginning January 11—for women only Sundays at 4:30 p.m. beginning January 14—for women and men Julie Fossier, facilitator

Armor of God

An invisible war rages around you — felt throughout every aspect of your life. A devoted, devilish enemy seeks to wreak havoc on everything that matters to you: your heart, your mind, your marriage, your children, your relationships, your resilience, your dreams, your destiny. Book by Priscilla Shirer.

Sundays at 4:30 p.m. beginning January 14—for women only Dawn Deare, facilitator

33 The Series: A Man and His Work - Vol. 4

God created man to work, and His Word instructs men on how to engage and enjoy work. This Bible study provides insight into some of the ways men can find both their best fit and fulfillment in work. The study acknowledges the tensions and obstacles that men face in their work-lives and helps them move beyond the frustrations and dead ends. Book by Men's Fraternity.

Sundays at 4:30 p.m. beginning January 14—for men only Steven Ancelet, facilitator

Pray Like This

Prayer is the most dynamic discipline in the life of a believer. Yet it may be the most misunderstood and the least taught. This six-session study shows believers that following Jesus' Model Prayer will lead them to fall more in love with God and grow in their desire to engage in conversation with Him. Book by Steve Gaines.

Sundays at 4:30 p.m. beginning January 14 Jeff Strassel, facilitator

Gripped by the Greatness of God

When was the last time you were completely overwhelmed with who God is or how He showed up in your life? If that is a far-too-distant memory, engage in this study through the book of Isaiah. You can re-discover what makes God awesome, sovereign, holy, wonderful, and worthy of our worship. Book by James MacDonald.

Sundays at 4:30 p.m. beginning January 14 Kay Davidson, facilitator

Step By Step Through the New Testament

This course helps you build a framework for understanding and interpreting the New Testament. It teaches biblical background material needed for a lifetime of meaningful Bible study. It also helps you respond to God as He speaks to you through His Word.

Sundays at 4:30 p.m. beginning January 14

Steve Horn, facilitator

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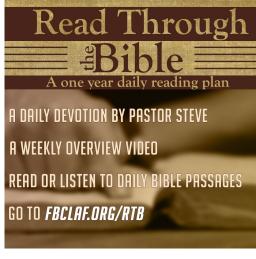
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THIS ONE THING

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Couples Conference Feb. 2-3

To register for the **Created to Connect** conference, please list both names below, as well as the best ways to get in touch with one of you. Drop this form in the offering plate or at the Information Center.

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