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First Baptist Church of Collinsville is a body of believers committed to praying, encouraging, teaching, witnessing, and worshipping together to reach our communities and the world with the good news of Jesus Christ.

One Saturday in January, I was watching James Madison play for the FCS college football championship. About halfway through the second quarter my

satellite went off. I did the normal things I do when that happens, but to no avail. I resigned myself to waiting until the satellite company did whatever they needed to do to remedy the problem. However, after about an hour and still no TV, I decided to take matters into my own hands. That Saturday was the day following our first snow of 2017 and there was still a lot of snow on the roof. I got to thinking, what if the snow was blocking the signal to the dish. So I climb the ladder, took my hand and raked a pile of snow off the arm on the satellite dish and on came the TV. Thankfully, I was able to watch the last part of the ball game.

That episode got me to thinking about prayer. Most believers will admit there are times when they struggle with prayer. Try as we may, our prayers don't seem to get beyond the ceiling. When we pause to give thought as to why, we realize that the problem is not with God. Something is blocking our prayers from rising to His throne. More often than not, the obstacle blocking our prayers is sin. In speaking to Judah, the Lord said, "When you spread out your hands, I will hide My eyes from you; Even though you make many prayers, I will not hear. Your hands are full of blood" (Is. 1:15). The problem was that Judah was rebelling against God, but still offering sacrifices in hopes that God would hear their prayers. He would not---He will not! However, remember what the Lord told Solomon, "If My people...will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven..." (2 Chr. 7:14). God wants to hear from you. He eagerly waits to communicate with His children.

Are your prayers failing to get to God? Then check to see if there is any sin blocking the way. Remove that and your prayers will once more flow to God. Blessings in Christ.

Pastor Larry



GOD CONTINUES OPENING DOORS

Through God's guidance we are excited to have been led to Jarrod

Pillsbury. Jarrod has been called by our church to become the Associate Pastor of Families and Youth. We look forward to participating with Jarrod as he continues his ministry in our church.

Jarrod and his wife Rachel currently live in Salisbury, NC. Jarrod will begin working for the church on March 6. Please come by and welcome him to our church family.



Ladies Craft Day

Saturday, February 25 (Back up date March 04)



Hello ladies, craft day has rolled around again and the WMU would love for you to join us in the lighthouse from 10:00 until....! Bring whatever you would like to work on and join the fellowship of ladies working, talking and eating together. Bring your favorite snack to share, drinks and soup will be provided. The WMU ladies are looking forward to hosting this fun day and looking forward to seeing you there.

Around 2:00 pm Sarah France will be instructing a painting class on canvas. She will be bringing all the supplies you will need. There will be a \$25.00 fee for this class.

Prayer Room Ministry 2016 **TOTALS** December, 2016 Cards Mailed Out: 148 946 Phone Calls Made: 28 296 Prayer Requests Received: 40 421 6.274 Prayers Prayed: 405 Total # of Volunteers Serving: 10 (active) Total Volunteer Hours Given: 39 604 **Prayer Room Phone Number:** 647-3777

SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

We are beginning to collect mid-year school supplies for Collinsville Primary and our Weekday Early Education. Boxes will be available in the foyer to collect these items. Thank you for your help. Needed items are:

Clorox or Lysol Wipes Big Erasers
Tissues Masking Tape
Crayola Crayons Paperclips (large and small)

Glue Boys Underwear Size 6 & 8
Whiteout Boys Socks for Shoe Size 7-10

Hand Societies and Civile Maderween Size 9

Hand Sanitizer Girls Underwear Size 8
Pencils & Pens Girls Socks for Shoe Size 7-10

Change of Address:

Brad & Sue Ferguson Annabelle Carl

229 Beaver Ridge Rd. Kings Grant Assisted Living
Collinsville, VA 24078 352 Kingsway Rd., A-17
Martinsville, VA 24112

Children's Ministry Day Sat., Feb. 18, 2017 "Love Your Neighbor-Turn Faith Into Action"

This is the day that the children of FBCC will be doing something special for our shut-ins. We ask the church to pray for these children and workers as they participate.





Tues., February 14

February Grace Network
Food Item
Applesauce or Jelly (up to 28 ozs.)

<u>Feature Items</u> Bath Soap, Toothpaste FBCC FOOD ITEM FOR FEBRUARY Beef Stew (20 oz.)

November Report

Average Attendance

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Sunday School	166
Worship Service	193
Monthly Offering needed	42,968
(4 Sundays)	
Monthly Offering Received	33,332
Rental Income	1,688
Other Income	
Monthly Operating Expenses	43,075
Operating Account Balance	251,799
CD's & Savings Balance	56,013
Weekday Education Acct. Balance	2,517
Benevolence Designated Fund	890
Project Hope	2,705
Bereavement Meal Ministry	1,157
Van Fund	1,981

Detailed finance reports are available at the information stands located in the vestibule areas of the Sanctuary, or you may call the church office if you would like a copy mailed to you.

December Report

Average Attendance	
Sunday School	175
Worship Service	196
Monthly Offering needed	42,968
(4 Sundays)	
Monthly Offering Received	41,907
Rental Income	1,688
Other Income	125
Monthly Operating Expenses	35,699
Operating Account Balance	261,028
CD's & Savings Balance	57,144
Weekday Education Acct. Balance	2,413
Benevolence Designated Fund	701
Project Hope	2,755
Bereavement Meal Ministry	1,157
Van Fund	2,621

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If you read the Bible thru in 2016 and would like to be recognized for this please call the office at 647-3774 and give us your name.

The cut off date for this information is Feb. 14.

SENIOR ADULT HAPPENINGS

February – the month of love; frankly, I think every month should be the month of love. God loves us every month so we should love each other every month. Activities planned for senior adults for the month of February include:

Sunday, February 5th – Trip to Spencer-Penn for a Concert. We will travel to Spencer-Penn for a concert by Robbie and Betty who will sing music to help senior adults reminisce about their past. The music travels through the Big Band Era, 50's Sock Hop, 60's Ballads, Country Classics, Timeless Standards and Gospel Songs of artists such as Frank Sinatra, Elvis Presley (my personal favorite), Fats Domino, Loretta Lynn, Patsy Cline and others. There is no charge for the concert but donations for the band will be ap-

preciated. The concert begins at 3:00 P.M. so when church is over, we will go to the Blue Ridge Airport Restaurant for lunch and on to the concert. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board near the church office

Tuesday, February 14th – Lunch at Kings Grant. The Senior Adult Planning Committee decided we would just get together for lunch one day in February. We decided on Kings' Grant. I called them and asked if they would do lunch for a group and they will. They said if we would let them have 15-20 minutes to talk to us about the retirement plans at Kings Grant they would feed us lunch free. I told them our group loves free; so that is what we agreed on. They will let us order from the menu. We will plan to leave the

church at 11:15 am and return after lunch. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board near the church office.

REMEMBER: NO FRIENDSHIP CLUB IN FEBRUARY, BUT WE WILL BEGIN AGAIN IN MARCH!!

Some of the places we plan to consider for a trip later in the spring are the Rock Churches in Patrick County, Hillbilly Hideaway in Walnut Cove and the Storytelling Convention at Camp Bethel. We are always looking for day trips and encourage you to make suggestions.

During the cold months when you do not get out a lot, take time to call a shut-in. I promise you will receive a real blessing from this effort.

Betty Crotty, Senior Adult Coordinator

Ladies Card Ministry

The Ladies Card Ministry will meet on Monday, February 27 at 1:00pm in the SonShine Classroom. Please join us in making Birthday and Anniversary Cards.

JOB WELL DONE! Lottie Moon Donations FBCC's Goal: \$10,000.00 Received To Date \$10,000.33

February Nursery Workers

05 am: Kathy Draper, Cindy Vernon (B) Suzanne Terry, Britney Terry (T/P.S.)

12 am: Jason & Paige Collins (B)
Brandon & Ashley Martin (T/P.S)

19 am: Sandy Gary, Katrell Ramsey (B) Judy Dodson, Brooke Houston (T/P.S.)

26 am: Susan Wagoner, Lisa West (B) Chris & Angela Hatchett (T/P.S.)

(B) Babies—(T/P.S.) Toddlers/Pre School

FEBRUARY WMU MISSION ACTION

The Mission Action for February is the Pregnancy Care Center. We will be collecting disposable diapers and wipes. I will be delivering them to the Pregnancy Care Center by the 1st of March. There is a box set up beside the office for you to put these in.

Thank you for your generosity in your giving each month. Mission Action is our faith in ministry.

Lana Martin

HCBA Senior Adult Trip for 2017 New York City Tour December 4-7, 2017

This trip includes 3 Nights Lodging, 3 Buffet Breakfasts, 3 Dinners, Guided tour of Manhattan, Central Park, Cathedral of St. John the Divine, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Lincoln Center, Greenwich Village, Wall Street and the Financial District, Admission to the 911 Museum & Memorial, Round-trip ferry to Statue of Liberty & Ellis Island, Orchestra level tickets to Radio City Christmas Spectacular show with Rockettes, Empire State Building, Hotel taxes, baggage handling & meal gratuities.

Price Per Person: \$1040 Double, \$1020 Triple, \$1010 Quad, \$1299 Single. Deposit of \$300 per person to be paid by February 24, 2017. Be sure to make checks payable to Patsy's Tours NOT Betsy Ivey.

For more information please see Flyer on the Bulletin Board or see Betsy Ivey. You may call Betsy at 276-647-7248 or 276-340-3900.



Daylight Savings Time
Begins on
Sunday, March, 12

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Sunday School 9:45 am Sunday Worship Service 11:00 am

Children's Church

Wednesday Evening Activities:

 Fellowship Meal
 6:00 pm

 Acteens
 6:30 pm

 RA's & GA's
 6:30 pm

 Youth Praise & Worship
 6:45 pm

 Mission Friends
 6:45 pm

 Prayer Service
 6:45 pm

 Choir Rehearsal
 7:30 pm

Non-Profit Organization U.S. Postage Paid Permit No. 5

Return Service Requested

Birthdays & Anniversaries

February Birthdays

02 Mrs. Rebecca Vernon	15 Mary Ann Wall
04 Irene Hall	16 Janet Roetken
04 Bill Maydian	17 Dickey Cobb
04 Angie Alley	17 John Anthony, V
04 Jennifer Cedillo	18 Becky Conner
06 Ruth Brown	18 Kathy Kitchen
06 Sharri Love	18 Kenneth Garrett (TK)
06 Carrie Pinnix	19 Caleb Beachy
07 Linda Hagood	20 Michael Mayberry
07 Audrey Prillaman	21 Joe Miles
07 Stanley Adkins	22 John Floyd
07 Kathy Martin	22 Albert Joyce
08 Cameron Adkins	22 Lacey Mize
09 Hugh Hagood	22 Izaak Flanagan
09 Steve Houston	23 Mark Martin
10 Cindy Vernon	23 Jordan Tilley
10 Brandon Martin	24 Dale hancock
12 Austin Powell	24 Lois Dalton
13 Barbara Turner	24 Brooke Houston
13 Sheila Ramsey	25 Penny Decker
13 Betty Pagans	26 George Brown
14 Hunter Hiatt	26 Taylor Jo Gary
14 Emily Cowher	27 Gail Smith
14 Cory Ashworth	27 Gina Barrow
14 Miranda Ferguson	27 Lee Gregory

March Birthdays

01 Pat Cobb

02 Tommy Coleman

02 Jay Knighton

03 Gunnar Robertson

03 Jase Ramsey

05 Charlie Flickling

05 Jose Cedillo

05 Molly Shelton

05 LeeAnne Ferguson

05 Eli Martin

06 Susan Thacker

07 Catherine H. Privette

07 Joyce Jacobs

07 Jennifer P. Judy

February Anniversaries

20 David & Peggy Joyce

March Anniversaries

01 Arthur & Marcilene Emberson

01 Ken & Becky Wagoner

04 Tommy & Jennifer Nance

05 Tim & Michelle Pace

06 Thomas & Frances Arrington

07 Michael & Rebecca Vernon

Book of the Month



"The Journey" by Billy Graham

"You will only make this journey once. What kind of journey will it be?"

"Wherever you are in your journey—just beginning, in the middle, or near the end—You've already learned that life offers a variety of paths. How do you choose the right path and maneuver the inevitable speed bumps and potholes that lie before you? No only did God carve out a path for us, but He wants to join us on the journey—to help us with challenges along the way, and eventually lead us home." Billy Graham

From Billy Graham's book, we "are given practical advice on prayer, knowing God's will, making right decisions, strengthening our marriage, and coping with pain, suffering and grief that comes along the way." This book is filled with "many personal stories from his own life, offers wisdom, encouragement, hope and inspiration—for anyone who wants to make the most of—THE JOURNEY."