

# Lamplighter

Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching In

Exalting the Savior by evangelizing the lost and equipping the saints



## GOD'S LOVE LANGUAGE

A few years ago, Stevie Wonder came out with the hit song, "I Just Called to Say I Love You." This month there will be many exclamations of love shared between people. But when it comes to convincing someone of our love for them, our actions often speak much louder than words.

Pastor Gary Chapman took advantage of this thought and parlayed it into a best-selling book titled, "The Five Love Languages." In the book, he emphasized that every person has a specific way that they receive the message that someone loves them. I encourage you to read it, if you have not yet. It may help some of you to effectively express your feelings for that special person in your life.

Not to be out done, God has also put His two cents in about the best way to show our love for someone. In the Bible, the Apostle John tells Christians, "Let's not love with word or with tongue, but in deed and truth" (1 John 3:18, NASB). In other words, don't just say you love someone—show your love for them thru you actions.

This is exactly what God did! The Bible says that, "God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8). God could have chosen to simply say He loved us, which He did. The Bible is His love letter to this world. But He did not stop there. He showed us that love by dying on the cross in our place. Now that is the way to prove one's love for another!

This Valentine's Day demonstrate to those you love just how much they mean to you with an action. A card, a box of chocolates, a bunch of balloons, a fancy meal, or a proposal. If you show them your love, then they will not soon forget. The same goes for those in this world who do not know Christ. Take time to show them the love of God in some small action. In doing so, you will be expressing God's love language. And that action will confirm to God just how much you love Him. Happy Valentine's Day.

*Pastor Larry*

## Widow and Widowers of FBCC



**Valentine Luncheon**  
**Thursday, February 12**

**12:00 noon**

**Pacific Bay Restaurant**

This is being hosted and provided by Pastor Larry and Jan Cheek. Sign-up sheet located on the Bulletin Board by the church office.

Daylight Savings Time Begins  
Sunday, March 8, 2026.



Remember to set your clocks  
up one hour before going to bed on Sat., March 7

**Week of Prayer for**  
**North American Missions**  
**And Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**  
**March 1-8**



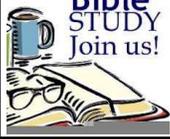
**Palm Sunday, Sunday, March 29**

**Easter Sunday, April 05**

**Easter Monday, April 06**

(Church Office Closed)





**NOTICE**  
**Tuesday Morning**  
**Bible Study with Pastor Larry**  
**10:00AM SonShine Classroom**

**Loving Hands Ministry**



**Thursdays**  
**10:00am**  
**2nd Floor—Room 216**



**The Ladies Card Ministry**

**Monday, March 09**  
**12:00noon**  
**SonShine Classroom**



**AWANA Schedule for February**



**Feb. 15.: Awana (Pajama Night)**  
**Feb. 22: NO Awana Meeting**

**Sundays @ 4:00—5:30pm**

**For children ages 2 Yrs. thru 5th grade**

**November Report**

Monthly Budget Offering Needed	56,175
Monthly Budget Offering Received	44,963
Rental Income	1,913
Monthly Budget Operating Expenses	32,253
Non Budget Expenses	00
Operating Account Balance	273,579
Weekday Education Acct. Balance	10,613
Benevolence Fund	628
Project Hope	126
Bereavement Meal Ministry	1,366
Van Fund	13,398
Capital Campaign Fund	62,704
Weekday Ed. Designated Fund (Donation)	2,000

**December Report**

Monthly Budget Offering Needed	44,940
Monthly Budget Offering Received	41,899
Rental Income	1,913
Monthly Budget Operating Expenses	49,670
Non Budget Expenses	00
Operating Account Balance	269,081
Weekday Education Acct. Balance	11,456
Benevolence Fund	336
Project Hope	126
Bereavement Meal Ministry	1,366
Van Fund	13,418
Capital Campaign Fund	64,729
Weekday Ed. Designated Fund (Donation)	2,000
Missions (Special Designated)	6,170

**In Sympathy:**

**Dickey Cobb**, husband of Pat Cobb, father of Kim Beckner and grandfather of Dustin Beckner.  
 Lowell Haynes, father of Tonia Patterson

**New Contact Information**

**Betty Crotty:** 300 King's Way Rd.  
 Box 102, Martinsville, VA 24112  
 Phone No.: 276-634-1426  
 Cell No.: 276-732-1771

**FBCC Food Pantry Donation**

If you would like to contribute to the FBCC Food Pantry you may do so. We will be collecting items each month. The items for January are:

**Beef Stew (20 oz. can)**

**Tomato Soup (10.75 oz. can)**

You can leave the items in the FBCC Food Pantry bin outside the church office.

**Grace Network**

**FEBRUARY ITEM**

**Dish Detergent**

**FEBRUARY FEATURE ITEMS**

**Bath Soap, Toilet Paper, Toothpaste**  
**Individually Wrapped Toothbrushes**

**Capital Campaign Fund Summary**

( March 01, 2022—November 30, 2025)

Received thru Building Improvement Fund	\$36,830.00
Donations to Capital Campaign	
March 2022—April 2025	\$175,864.07
May –October 2025:	\$11,805.00
November 2025:	\$ 1,275.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$225,774.07</b>
Total Spent for Roof	-\$ 76,160.00
Total Spent for Parking lot repair	-\$ 86,910.00
<b>Capital Fund Balance:</b>	<b>\$ 62,704.07</b>

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( March 01, 2022—December 31, 2025)

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Donations to Capital Campaign	
March 2022—April 2025	\$175,864.07
May –November 2025:	13,080.00
December 2025:	\$ 2,025.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$227,799.07</b>
Total Spent for Roof	-\$ 76,160.00
Total Spent for Parking lot repair	-\$ 86,910.00
<b>Capital Fund Balance:</b>	<b>\$ 64,729.07</b>

## Women on Mission—By His Love

### What we have done:

The WMU groups began cooking dinner for the Warming Center the last Monday of January and will continue to do so for the next three months.

### What we are doing:

We will continue collecting items to donate to the Warming Center through February 15.. Please bring your donations and place them in the bins underneath the tapestry. Here are the items needed:

- Adult Coats (Men's and Women's)
- Warm Hats, Mittens, Gloves
- Tableware: (plastic utensils, plates, bowls, cups)
- Coffee, Coffee Filters, Sweeteners, Creamers
- Cleaning Products
- Snack Items (granola bars, Pop Tarts, Vienna Sausages, etc)
- Water Bottles

WMU Focus Week is February 15 - 21. Here is what we will be doing:

- On Sunday, February 15, there will be a missions moment during the service
- That afternoon, we will have a Valentine Bingo party at Hairston Home for Adults

All WMU groups are invited to breakfast at 9:00 Saturday morning, February 21 at Clarence's

## Associate Pastor

### Search Committee Meeting

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12**

**5:00pm—Agape Classroom**

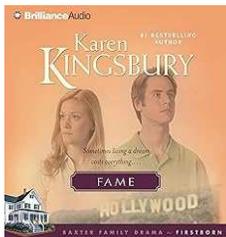
Please keep these Committee members in prayer as they diligently strive to seek out the person God has chosen for FBCC.

## FBCC Book of the Month

### "Fame"

(Firstborn Series #1 of 5)

**By: Karen Kingsbury**



*The Firstborn series focuses on the surprise new member of the Baxter family: Dayne Matthews.*

*As Dayne Matthews returns to Hollywood after his shocking discovery in Karen Kingsbury's best-selling novel Reunion, he faces the dangerous world of fame and paparazzi. Meanwhile, Katy Hart receives the offer of a lifetime - starring opposite Dayne in a Hollywood film. Dayne and Katy's choices will change their hearts and lives forever.*

## Special Henry County Baptist

### Associational Meeting

**Thursday, February 19 @ 6:00pm**

**FBCC Social Hall**

The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss and vote to restructure the Association and move forward or to dissolve the Association.

## **Quarterly Business Meeting**

**Wednesday, February 25—6:45pm**

**SonShine Classroom**

## **MAYBE YOU CAN HELP US**

We are having issues with random high water usage. We would like to ask everyone to just be aware and if you notice a problem with a toilet or faucet please let Greg Craven or Neil Ramsey know so it can be checked out.

## **SENIOR TRIP UPDATE**



Due to lack of interest we are cancelling the Billy Graham Library Tour. However, we will go forward with our plans to attend **Narrows Dinner Theatre** and enjoy the Easter play "**FOUR MEN**". One man is a murderer, two are thieves, and the fourth a carpenter from Nazareth.

We will leave the church **Saturday morning March 28th at 8:00am**. The matinee show begins at 12:00. We are asked to be in our seats prior to the show to give ample time to serve lunch at our seats.

### Menu

- Braised Angus beef roast with white pepper sauce
- Fresh roasted vegetables
- Couscous with dried cranberries
- Mediterranean herb bread brushed with olive oil
- Homemade bread pudding with sour cream and Raspberry sauce.
- Ice water w/lemon

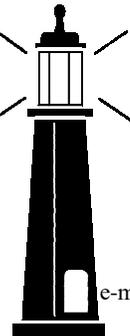
The show will last approximately 3 hours with 20 minute intermission after Act 1.

We will leave directly after the show and ETA back to the church is 5:30-6:00pm.

**The senior cost for this meal and show is \$53.**

**Contact Linda Conner for any further information.**

**276-224-0780 Sign up sheet on bulletin board.**



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Sunday School	9:30am
Worship Service	10:30am
Children's Church	
Handbell Practice	2:45pm
Awana	4:00pm

Wednesday Evening Activities:

Children's Choir Practice	5:15pm
Fellowship Meal	6:00pm
RA's & GA's	6:30pm
Mission Friends	6:30pm
Youth (Middle & High School)	6:30pm
Prayer Service & Bible Study	6:45pm
Adult Choir Practice	7:30pm

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

Return Service  
 Requested

***Birthdays & Anniversaries***

- February 2026 Birthdays**
- |                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| 01 Elizabeth Robertson | 23 Nicholas Pillsbury                     |
| 02 Chris Newman        | 25 Penny Decker                           |
| 04 Angie Alley         | 25 Susan Martin                           |
| 04 Deborah Linkous     | 26 Carolyn Rockwell                       |
| 06 Ruth Brown          | 27 Taylor Jo Sanguinetti                  |
| 06 Carri Pinnix        | 27 Gail Smith                             |
| 06 Sharri Love         | 27 Gina Barrow                            |
| 07 Audrey Prillaman    | 27 Mia- Bella Vernon                      |
| 07 Linda Hagood        | 28 Brenda Lemons                          |
| 09 Hugh Hagood         |   |
| 09 Steve Houston       | <b><u>March 2026 Birthdays</u></b>        |
| 10 Shirley Frith       | 01 Pat Cobb                               |
| 10 Cindy Vernon        | 03 Gunnar Robertson                       |
| 10 Brandon Martin      | 03 Jase Ramsey                            |
| 11 Elizabeth Teal      | 05 Charlie Fickling                       |
| 13 Mike Minter         | 05 Eli Martin                             |
| 13 Sheila Ramsey       | 06 Jen Nance                              |
| 14 Cory Ashworth       | 06 Susan Rorrer                           |
| 14 Miranda Ferguson    | 07 Joyce Jacobs                           |
| 14 Emily C. Menowsky   | 08 Sharon Belcher                         |
| 15 Mary Ann Wall       | 09 Stacy Craven                           |
| 16 Janet Roetken       | 12 Neil Ramsey                            |
| 17 John Anthony        | 12 Rick Wright                            |
| 18Becky Conner         |   |
| 18 Kathy Kitchen       | <b><u>February 2026 Anniversaries</u></b> |
| 19 Caleb Beachy        | 10 Carl & Gail Smith                      |
| 22 Izaak Flanagan      | 20 David & Peggy Joyce                    |
| 22 John Floyd          | 12 Dan & Kelly Kisner                     |
| 23 Mark Martin         |   |
|                        | <b><u>March 2026 Anniversaries</u></b>    |
|                        | 01 Arthur & Marcilene Emberson            |
|                        | 01 Ken & Becky Wagoner                    |

- 04 Tommy & Jen Nance  
 05 Tim & Michelle Pace  
 11 Larry & Jan Cheek  
 15 Tim & Pat Gauldin  
 19 Greg & Shirley Craven  
 29 Tim & Sandy Gary

**Please Take Note:**  
 If you have not been receiving the email notices the church has been sending out or the One Calls the Pastor has been making and you would like to be included, please call the church office at 647-3774 and we will be glad to add you to the list.

*Friendship is the only cement that will ever hold the world together.*  
 From: An Apple a Day

**Dates to Remember.....**

**Feb. 12:** Associate Pastor Search Committee Meeting  
**Feb. 12:** Widow & Widowers Lunch @ Pacific Bay Restaurant  
**Feb. 14:** Couples Valentine Dinner @ FBCC Social Hall  
**Feb. 15:** Focus on WMU Sunday  
**Feb. 15:** Deacons Meeting  
**Feb. 19:** Joyce Newman Group/TBD  
**Feb. 19:** HCBA Meeting/FBCC /S. Hall  
**Feb. 21:** WMU Breakfast @ Clarences  
**Feb. 23:** Finance & Church Council  
**Feb. 25:** Quarterly Business Mtg.

**Staying Informed**

If you are a middle school or high school student, or the parent of one, stay informed with events, activities, and announcements by following FBCC Youth on the Band App.



