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First Fruits Celebration Sunday December 3

Our 3-year giving campaign officially begins on Sunday, December 3. All First Baptist members are asked to be ready to give a first fruit offering of what you have pledged to give over the next 3 years to our *For Such A Time As This* Campaign. This is in addition to your regular offering as we kick-off our campaign.

See page three "Fuel the Mission" for an easy solution to recurring giving.

Commitment Sunday Update:

We praise God for the commitments that have been made to date.

3,200,000!

We are still receiving commitment cards for the remainder of the month, so please return your card to the church office as soon as possible.



Deacon Ordination Service

Sunday, November 19

6:00 PM

Join us for this meaningful service as we ordain the following men to the office of Deacon:

Tracy Sexton

Bill Sims

Waynard White



Stacey & Tracy Sexton



Linda & Bill Sims



Janet & Waynard White

Connections Perky Pumpkin Party Follow-up

Sunday, November 19

4:00 PM in Social Hall

We need 10-12 teams to help us make contacts and deliver information bags and fresh baked cookies to families who came to the Perky Pumpkin Party and other recent guests in worship.



HOT CHOCOLATE • POPCORN BAR • MOVIE • FRIENDS!



OH YOU BETTER WATCH OUT
YOU BETTER NOT POUT
YOU CAN WEAR YOUR PAJAMAS TO THE
LADIES @ FIRST
CHRISTMAS NIGHT OUT!

11.28.17 | 6:30-8:00pm

Fellowship Hall

Yes! Wear your jammies or come comfy!

Child care: for ages 0-5 by reservation (jwarren@fbcfairhope.org) by 11/20



The Learning Tree is "Tree"mendously thankful for our little turkeys! We are "Fall"ing into fun with picnics, pumpkins, leaves, stories and songs about autumn weather. This week our children will celebrate the First Thanksgiving with a special feast. The 3's made homemade pumpkin muffins and the 4's will roast turkeys this week. Our busy turkeys say, "gobble- gobble, have a blessed Thanksgiving!"
Ms Lynn & Ms Laurie



Trees for Hope

In honor of #Giving Tuesday, EnSec Pest and Lawn and Air of Excellence invite you to come out and support Alabama Baptist Children's Homes & Family Ministries (ABCH). Enjoy heavy hors d'oeuvres, fine coffees and desserts, while you browse and bid on dozens of beautifully decorated Christmas trees and wreaths. Along with the Trees for Hope silent auction, your invited to join in the live auction, and bid on weekend getaways, unique dining and culinary experiences, fun family activities and valuable household services. All proceeds go directly to Alabama Children's Homes & Family Ministries. ABCH protects, nurtures, and restores children and families through Christ-centered services.

Advance Tickets: \$50 Donation | Door: \$60 Donation

OVER GOAL!

1231 Boxes

and they keep coming!



As of this printing our Shoebox count is at 1231 and that's not including the 15 in the photo above that Shawn Trotter is dropping off completed by his Student Small Group.

This Sunday we will bless our Shoeboxes to make children all across the world happy and introduce them to the Savior.



Missed Commitment Sunday?

Have You Returned Your *For Such A Time As This* Commitment Card?

If you were not with us for Commitment Sunday or have not yet turned in your Commitment Card for our Capital Campaign, please do so by December 1 so we can add your commitment in to our growing pledge total. You may drop cards by our Financial office or

make your commitment online by going to fbcfairhope.org, and clicking on the "For Such A Time As This" link in the top menu.

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COMMITMENT CARD

Understanding that all I/we possess is a gift from God, I/we rejoice in the privilege to participate in the **For Such A Time As This** campaign.

MY/OUR COMMITMENT IS

\$ _____ Weekly x 156 weeks or
 \$ _____ Monthly x 36 months or
 \$ _____ As follows

DESCRIPTION OF GIFT
 (To be completed by persons making commitments other than the donor)

Total
 \$ _____



Fuel The Mission

SIMPLE, FAST, SECURE
GIVING AVAILABLE

We've got some exciting news: we've rolled out mobile giving in our app! If you don't already have the app, download it from your device's store by searching for "First Baptist Fairhope".

Once you are in the app, click the icon at the bottom titled "Give".

Select the amount you want to give, and on the next screen you'll set up your account. Simply enter your name, email, and password of choice and a confirmation email will be sent to you.

Once you confirm the code you can select the giving method:

link your credit/debit card (minimal fee to church) or

link your checking account (no cost to church).

Now choose the fund you want to give to and the frequency.

We recommend setting up recurring gifts so you can make your on-going giving consistent without any extra work.

This is a great way to set up your regular gift to "For Such A Time As This".

That's it! Now that you're setup, your next gift should take less than 5 seconds. We appreciate your generosity and want to make your giving experience as easy as possible.



PPP
 4,000 hotdogs cooked
 est 3,000 people on
 campus! Those serving and
 being served had a blast!



**Serving & Sharing
 Here & There**
 PPP Fairhope, PPP Road Trip & Taking It to the Streets
 See all the pictures online at fbcfairhope.org



**PPP Road
 Trip to
 NOLA**
 250 touched



**Shellbrooke
 Block
 Party**
 The apartment complex
 families loved it as well
 as those working the
 event!



Welcome to the Family

Welcome to **Alexandria Newton** daughter of Jennifer and Trevor Newton Joining by Profession of Faith



Family

Christian Sympathy

Christian Sympathy is expressed to Letia and Robert Seaborn in the death of his mother, and To Thelma Harrelson and Charlie Carroll in the death of their daughter and sister.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Gentry and Stephen Jackson**, of Atlanta on the early arrival of Emory Elizabeth Jackson! Emory arrived November 5 weighing 5lbs, 4 ozs. Her proud grandparents are Dee and Ben Pace of Fairhope and her great grandmother is: JoAnn Pace of Spanish Fort.

Brew Team for November

Thanks to Erilda and Ron Coleman for getting coffee going on the Sundays in November.

Pastors on Call

November 4: A.B. Sawyer
November 11: John Baldwin
November 18: Ryan Smith
November 25: Eric Hankins

Wednesday Menus

November 15: Ham, Macaroni & Cheese, Lima Beans, Sweet Potatoe Casserole, Assorted Salads, Desserts
Nov. 22: No Supper or activities
Nov. 29: Penne Pasta with Meat Sauce, Whole Kernel Corn, Caesar Salad, Rolls, Desserts
Supper is served from 4:45-6:00 PM Make your reservations online at fbcfairhope.org or by contacting **LaSha Powell** in the church office: lpowell@fbcfairhope.org or call 928.8685

HAPPY Thanksgiving

Schedule for Week of Thanksgiving

Wednesday, November 22 Office closes at Noon | No evening activities
Thursday, November 23 Office closed
Friday, November 24 Office closed



Christmas with First Hope

Christmas will be here before we know it! If you or your Sunday school class would like to help First Hope brighten Christmas for children in our community please contact Marjorie Ballantyne at 284-1092 or jwbmjb1@gmail.com.

Opportunities for Giving in Memory/Honor of Loved Ones

There are a number of areas/items in the discipleship building and renovations that may be given in honor or memory of a loved one. If you are interested in having one of these areas named in honor or memory of your loved one, please contact Brent Shaw in the Church Office 251.928.8685.

Family Commons Area	\$ 1,071,280	
Fellowship Hall Expansion	195,540	
New Preschool Wing / Worship Room	621,950	
New Children's Worship Room	422,400	
Student Gathering Mezzanine	295,500	
Children's Handicap Wheel Chair Lift	45,000	Already Given
Indoor Preschool Play Area	50,000	
Children's Slide/Climber	50,000	



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Bellingrath Gardens Christmas Lights

Monday, December 18

TIME: The bus will depart the church at 4:00 p.m and arrive at the Lighthouse Restaurant around 5:15 to 5:30 p.m.

COST: \$30 for Bellingrath and Dinner

After dinner we will proceed to Bellingrath Gardens to see the Christmas Lights. This is a WALKING TOUR.

We will leave Bellingrath at 9:00 p.m. and should be back at the church around 10:00 p.m.

You can sign up and pay by contacting Jennifer Coulter at 928.8685.

Last day for sign up is **December 8.**

Facts

In Bible Study

	Nov 5
Enrolled:	1903
Present In House:	701
Total Bible Study:	746

In Stewardship Weekly

11/5/2017	
Budget Goal:	\$ 51,485.54
Budget Received:	\$ 70,840.37
Capital Fund	\$ 2,991.07
Designated Receipts	\$ 1,918.00
Total Receipts:	\$ 75,749.44

10/29/2017	
Budget Received:	\$ 45,906.33
Capital Fund	\$ 5,300.00
Designated Receipts	\$ 571.00
Total Receipts:	\$ 51,777.33

Year to Date	
Budget Goal 2017	\$2,413,810.02
Budget Received:	\$2,092,918.69
Other Revenues Received:	\$ 103,638.95
Total Budget & Other	\$2,285,086.71

Capital Campaigns

Month to date	\$ 8,411.07
Given to Date (gifts only)	\$2,248,795.18

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Worship Times at First: Sundays:

- 8:30am Classic Worship
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship
- 6:00pm Evening Worship

Coming Up November

- 15: Truthseeker Leaders Meeting 5PM
Business Meeting
PS/CH Building Team Meeting 7:30 MPR1
Blood Drive 4-8
- 16 Friendship Class Game Night, MPR1
- 18: Light Tech Training 9-12
- 19: Blessing of the Boxes
Outreach at 4:00PM
Children's Home Dinner 4PM
Deacon Ordination, 6PM
- 20: Media Min Camera Clinic 6PM
- 21: Mighty Men of Prayer, 7AM
- 26: Morning Services as usual
Prayer Service Only, 6PM
- 27: ESCC Dress Rehearsal, SA
- 28: Mighty Men of Prayer, 7AM
Ladies Christmas Night Out 6:30PM
- 30: Friendship Class Christmas Social, FH

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Weekly SUNDAYS

- 8:30 AM Classic Worship Service
- 9:50 AM Bible Study for All Ages
- 11:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service
- 12:30PM RE:Verb (Student Choir) Lunch & Reh.)
- 5:00 PM Legacy Builders & other adult classes
- 7:00PM Students Small Groups - off campus
D6 Kids
Bible Drill Grades 1-5
Bible Buddies
- 6:00 PM Worship

MONDAYS

- 9:00AM-11:00AM First Hope Benevolence Ministry

TUESDAYS:

- 7:00 AM Might Men of Prayer, SH
- 10:00AM WMU Meeting (First Tuesday)
- 11:30 AM Jubileers (Sr. Adults Meal Mtg)
(Second Tuesday monthly)

WEDNESDAYS

- 4:30 PM Handbells
- 4:45 PM Family Supper (until 6:00)
- 5:30 PM Preschool/Kids: Choirs
Students: RE:Play
Various Adult Studies
- 5:45 Pastors Study (until 6:25)
- 6:00 PM Orchestra
- 6:30 PM Preschool/Kids: Missions
Students: RE:Mix
Refresh: Young Adult Life Group
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 7:45 PM Praise Band Practice

THURSDAYS

- 9:00AM-11:00AM First Hope Benevolence Ministry