

Our 2010 Leadership Team

Pastoral Staff

Steve Bateman, *Senior Pastor*
 Paul Cheshier, *Outreach & Assimilation Pastor*
 Bruce Ellsworth, *Worship Pastor*
 Vance Helms, *Executive Pastor*
 Jess Montegudo, *Associate Pastor*

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Wayne Campbell, *Director of Student Min.*
 Joni Clark, *Children's Ministry Director*
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Support Staff

Earlene Baker, *Administrative Assistant*
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Charlie Adams
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 Jeff Hodge
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 Joe Cimino
 Cronan Connell
 Chris Howard
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 Gary Kessinger
 Joel McWhorter
 Doug Mote
 Phil Olinger
 Stratton Orr
 David Wilson

Missions: Home & Abroad...

Organizations

Decatur Free Clinic, *Decatur, AL*
 Decatur Heritage Christian Academy, *Decatur, AL*
 Southeastern Bible College, *Birmingham, AL*
 Sav-A-Life Pregnancy Resource, *Decatur, AL*
 Tennessee Valley Outreach, *Decatur, AL*
 Neighborhood Christian Center, *Decatur, AL*
 Columbia International University, *Columbia, SC*
 Fellowship of Christian Athletes, *Decatur, AL*
 Bible Teachers College, *Guatemala*
 Dallas Theological Seminary, *Dallas, TX*

Missionaries

Child Evangelism Fellowship
 Teo & Madalena Cavaco, *Portugal*
 Lynne Herlein, *Kenya*
 International Teams
 Kathleen Wintter, *Romania*
 Campus Crusade for Christ
 Scott & Stephanie Nannen, *Texas*
 David & Bethanne Moles, *Pennsylvania*
 Avant Ministries
 Kent & Marion Fuller, *Belize*
 Team International
 Andrew & Linda Brucato, *Italy*
 Bill & Ginann Franklin, *Taiwan*
 Inherit A Blessing
 Cleon & Kathy Rogers, *Germany*
 Pioneers
 Jarko & Elena Jurik, *Serbia*

World Reach
 Brom & Betty Cowser, *Alabama*
 Wycliffe Translators
 Jim & Nadine Rupp, *Mexico*
 World Venture
 Mark & Kathy Schaaf, *South Africa*
 Campus Outreach
 Pete & Shannon Collins, *Alabama*
 CAM International
 Wayne & Kitty Gute, *Oklahoma*
 John & Jan Lohrenz, *Spain*
 Bill & Linda Parker, *Uruguay*
 Michael Stephenson, *Guatemala*
 Scott & Ruth Yingling, *Mexico*
 Johnny & Maria Coker, *Guatemala*
 Joel and Vivian Lara, *Spain*
 Titus International
 Loreen Ittermann, *CIS, Moldova*
 Greater Europe Mission
 Durand & Ruth Robinson, *Ireland*
 Scott & Tara Slate, *Ireland*
 Okinawa Christian School Mission
 Allen Rowe, *Japan*
 Nations of Coaches
 Tommy and Heather Kyle, *SE US*
 Mountain Movers International
 Jim and Daphne Myers, *US*
 Navigators
 Armando and Liset Diaz, *US*

a warm
Welcome to
 First Bible Church



Our Mission... to Glorify God by Helping People
 Know, Love, Obey and Exalt Jesus Christ

If you are visiting with us...

We are glad that you chose to worship with us here at First Bible Church. Please take a moment to complete the **Welcome Card** in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

Please do not feel obligated to participate in the offering. It is provided for those who consider First Bible their church home. As our guest, we want you to focus on what God has for you this morning.

The care of your children is a high priority for us. Feel free to take advantage of our excellent Children's Ministries for infants through preschool.

Our desire is to encourage you in a growing relationship with Jesus Christ. If you want to know more about following Him, you are welcome to talk to our staff – or simply call us at the church office (353-2711).

Morning Worship

August 22, 2010 • 9:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Instrumental Music	<i>My Savior My God</i> FBC Praise Band
Welcome	Steve Bateman, Senior Pastor
Missionary Report	Mark and Kathy Schaaf, <i>World Venture</i>
Song of Worship	<i>Mighty Is the Power of the Cross</i>
Scripture Reading and Prayer	2 Cor. 1:8-11 <i>Sanctuary Service</i> ; Bruce Ellsworth, Worship Pastor <i>Field House Service</i> ; Jeff Hodge, Elder
Worship Through Giving	
	<i>You Are God Alone (Not A God)</i> You are not a god created by human hands You are not a god dependent On any mortal man You are not a god in need of Anything we can give, By Your plan that's just the way it is You are God alone, from before time began You were on Your throne, You were God alone And right now, in the good times and bad You are on Your throne. You are God alone You're the only God whose power None can contend You're the only God Whose name and praise will never end You're the only God who's worthy Of ev'rything we can give You are God, that's just the way it is Unchangeable, Unshakable Unstoppable, that's what You are <small>©2004 Billy Foote Music (Admin. by Integrity Music, Inc.) Integrity's Hosanna! Music CCLI#29592</small>
<i>At the Cross</i>	No. 188
Message	<i>The Reason for Your Troubles</i> Steve Bateman,
Closing Song	<i>Blessed Be Your Name</i>

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Church Office Hours
 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
 Mon. through Fri..

Announcements

All announcements must be in the church office by 4:00pm Tuesday.

The Field House Service

We offer a video service during the second worship service time slot (10:45). The "Field House Service" has its own leadership and worship team, and receives the sermon portion of the service through a video feed.

Missionary of the Month

This month's missionary focus is on Kent and Marion Fuller who are serving with Avant Ministries in Belize. Here is their contact information if you would like to send a note of encouragement: 18/20 Halfmoon Avenue, P.O.Box 70, Belmopan, Belize, (501) 802-2282, Kenmar@btl.net; karlinkentfuller@gmail.com

This Week's Registrations

Sign up today for the Women's Bible Study! There is a registration table set up in the Coffee Commons. Several classes are being offered, morning, noon and night with childcare options for all, including elementary! Contact Lisa Wheeler (256-552-0039 or wheeler1976@charter.net) for more information or stop by the table!

C¹: Our Creed, Truths We Believe: Sunday, September 26, 3:00pm - 7:00pm - Sign up using the insert in the bulletin or register online at www.fbc.org. This first step of four in our Catalysts of Commitment is for anyone who is interested in becoming more involved in the First Bible Church family through church membership. Attendance at C¹ does not commit you to membership. Rather it helps you understand the beliefs, values, direction, and philosophy of First Bible Church.

Church News

Life-Change! Impact! Doing Life Together! For more information on how to get involved in a small group here at FBC, contact Vance Helms (vance@fbc.org or 353-2711).

Dishes, Dishes and more Dishes - several dishes have been left in the kitchen area (from ABF, family night dinner, meals, etc). Please go to the small kitchen by the Field House and see if any of them belong to you. We will be donating any left after September 12th to a local mission group.

Wednesday Night Bible Study on the book of Revelation will begin on September 15 at 6:30pm. For more information, contact Henry Allen at 256-355-3389 or allendctr@aol.com. We will meet on the ABF floor.

Family Life Cruise - *Valentines Love Like You Mean It*, couples cruise. Check out the website at www.lovelikeyoumeanitcruise.com to get details and cost. Some of the speakers will be, Dennis and Barbara Rainey, Bob Lepine, Kirk Cameron and others. Worship with Christian artists Point of Grace, Michael O'Brien and Big Daddy Weave. Note: FBC is not registering anyone for this cruise. It is done on an individual basis.

Choir rehearsals have started back! It's not too late to join. Child care is provided for nursery through 5th grade. Contact Bruce Ellsworth if you are interested in being involved in this ministry.

Lost and Found is located at the Welcome Kiosk in the main foyer. We have many items (Bibles, jackets, jewelry, etc) that have been left at the church. Please stop by occasionally to see if any of your missing items may be there. We will be donating anything left after Sept. 26 to a charity.

CD's Available: Copies of today's message will be available at the Welcome Center in the main foyer following the second service. Complimentary for all visitors and a \$3.00 suggested donation for others.

Student News (6th-12th grade)

One Eight Wednesdays, HS in FH: 6:30 eat (\$3); 7:00 worship. MS in the youth wing: 6:30 eat (\$3); 7:00 worship.

Summer Sunday Evenings

We will resume our Evening Bible Study on Sept. 12.

September 12th - Regular Sunday evening services (Adult Bible study, AWANA, GIGAS, Sportsters, TREK) resume (5:15pm).

This Week's Events

Today-08/22/10

12:00pm Carpenters Fellowship @ Pavilion

5:00pm SHINE Volunteers Mtg.

Monday-08/23/10

5:45pm Celebrate Recovery

Tuesday-08/24/10

No Activities Scheduled

Wednesday- 08/25/10

5:15pm Field House Praise Band

6:30pm Sanctuary Praise Band

6:30pm One Eight (MS/HS)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday- 08/26/10

No Activities Scheduled

Friday- 08/27/10

9:30am MOPS

Children's News (Nursery - 5th grade)

Merry Christmas! - On Saturday, September 11th, we will be hosting our GIGAS Christmas Camp for ALL current 3rd-5th grade girls (as of August 10) from 9:00am-12:00pm. We will introduce this year's Christmas Musical and play some "reindeer games". Please contact Earlene Baker (256-353-2711 or earl@fbc.org) if you have any questions.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

MPB will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 14th at 6:30am. All men are invited to come for a hearty breakfast, fellowship and prayer.

ap•os•tol•ic: What It Means To Be In The Faith, 7

The Reason For Your Troubles

2 Corinthians 1:8-11
(Page 816 in Chair Bible)
The Lord's Day Morning
August 22, 2010

ap•os•tol•ic: of or relating to apostles, those men who were eyewitnesses to the risen Lord *and* specifically authorized by the Lord Jesus Christ to represent him as his ambassadors; to be apostolic is to sincerely affirm what the apostles affirm and deny what the apostles deny in sacred Scripture.

The church at Corinth was embarrassed of Paul's weakness and suffering. Impostors to whom he sarcastically referred as "super-apostles" (11:5;12:11) were leading them away from the teaching of the real apostles and teaching them that suffering and frailty were signs of God's rejection. Here, Paul lays the groundwork for a sustained response throughout this letter.

1. We are naturally prone to rely on ourselves as our own _____ and steal God's glory.
2. God lovingly _____ troubles-hardship-suffering-pressure-despair-peril for us.
3. God graciously moves to deliver us in response to the _____ of his people.
4. We learn to rely more on God for all of our _____.
5. God receives more of the glory that is due him.