

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 chair pocket in front of you 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.

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 at (256) 353-2711.

Our 2012 Leadership Team

Pastoral Staff

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

Ministry Staff

Alexander Roberts, *Assoc. Dir. of Student Min.*

Support Staff

Earlene Baker, *Administrative Assistant*
Telete Chappell, *Children's Dir. Assistant*
Beth Ellsworth, *Administrative Assistant*
Ronne Harvell, *Business Manager*
Kelly Martin, *Nursery/Preschool Coordinator*
Darrel Phillips, *Director of Facilities*
Jamna Tucker, *Administrative Assistant*
Rosemary Whiteside, *Administrative Assistant*

Elders

Don Barthel
Curt Brannon
Ray Cain
David Francis
Reggie Gladish
Larry Hannah
Joey Harris
Jeff Hodge
Mike Holiday
Stratton Orr
Lew Sample
Stan Vinton

Elders Emeritus

Bill Prince
Marshall Williams

Deacons

Ty Batchelor
Pete Bromirksi
Kevin Burleson
Wes Easley
Barry Hill
Chris Howard
Scottie Hubbard
Doug Mote
Barry Musick
Jay Reichmann
Darryle Waldron
David Wilson

Missions: Home & Abroad 2012

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*
Lexi House, *Decatur, AL*
Not Forgotten, *Peru*

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*
Mitch and Amy Jaegar, *Mississippi*
Brent and Lindsay Gosnell, *Texas*
Avant Ministries
Kent & Marion Fuller, *Belize*
Team International
Andrew & Linda Brucato, *Italy*
Bill & Ginann Franklin, *Taiwan*
Inherit A Blessing
Cleon & Kathy Rogers, *Germany*

Mission to the World
Glenn & Sharlene Grubb, *US*
Pioneers
Jarko & Elena Jurik, *Serbia*
Ambassadors For Christ, *Int.*
John & Lois North, *Australia*
Campus Outreach
Brian and Abbey Harper, *Brazil*
SEND International
Arthur and Margaret Kraai, *Japan*
World Reach
Brom & Betty Cowser, *Alabama*
Wycliffe Translators
Jim & Nadine Rupp, *Mexico*
World Venture
Mark & Kathy Schaaf, *South Africa*
CAM International
Wayne & Kitty Gute, *Oklahoma*
John & Jan Lohrenz, *Spain*
Bill & Linda Parker, *Uruguay*
Michael Stephenson, *Guatemala*
Scott & Ruth Yingling, *Mexico*
Joel and Vivian Lara, *Spain*
Titus International
Loreen Ittermann, *CIS, Moldova*
Greater Europe Mission
Scott & Tara Slate, *Europe*
Nations of Coaches
Tommy and Heather Kyle, *SE US*
Navigators
Armando and Liset Diaz, *US*

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First Bible Church
of Decatur

3202 Spring Ave. SW, Decatur, AL 35603

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

When nations rage
When skeptics mock
When economies stumble
When enemies threaten
When bodies fail
When plans change
When tragedy strikes
When friends disappoint
When hope wanes
When pessimism reigns

Jesus Christ

is still

King of kings, and Lord of lords,

Eternally, absolutely, positively, supremely, manifestly, indisputably

SOVEREIGN!



a series in Matthew

Morning Worship

January 29, 2012 • 9:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

Instrumental Music

Mighty to Save
FBC Praise Band

Call to Worship

Mighty to Save

Baby Dedication (9:15 Service only)

Steve Bateman, Senior Pastor

The act of dedication is held in high regard throughout Scripture. In Baby Dedication, the parents formally declare their intention to lead their child, by instruction and example, to knowledge of their God. They are making a public commitment that their parenting shall be Biblically informed and acknowledge God's right to the child. Furthermore, the church family commits to faithfully support the parents in this daunting duty.

Tae James Jacobs

Son of C. J. and Christy Jacobs

Bible Verse chosen by C. J. and Christy for Tae: *"To this end we always pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling and may fulfill every resolve for good and every work of faith by his power, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ."* 2 Thessalonians 1:11-12, ESV

Songs of Worship

Jesus Thank You
Rejoice the Lord is King
Our Great God

No. 228

Scripture Reading & Prayer

Matthew 3:7-12

Sanctuary Service: Bruce Ellsworth, Worship Pastor

Field House Service: Jeff Hodge, Worship Leader

Worship Through Giving

O Worship the King
All I Have is Christ
Before the Throne of God Above

No. 10

Message

Our Problem with Hell
Matthew 3:7-12
Steve Bateman, Senior Pastor

Closing Song

The Power of the Cross

Instrumental Music

Before the Throne of God Above
FBC Praise Band

Announcements

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

Missionary of the Month

This month's missionary focus is on David and Bethanne Moles and their ministry with Campus Crusade for Christ. David serves as the Regional Director, U.S. Campus Ministries, Mid Atlantic Region. They have 3 children, (Emily, 22; Caroline, 20; Matthew, 16). Bethanne is continuing her battle with ALS. A CaringBridge page has been set up for Bethanne. (<http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/bethannemoles>).

Please pray for them and if you would like to send the Moles a note to encourage them, their contact info: 729 Old Eagle School Rd. Wayne, PA 19087.

Church News

Our Newest Little Lamb- We would like to welcome, **Gideon Wilson Sandlin** who was born on January 25, 2012 to **Destin and Tara Sandlin**. Gideon weighed 9 lbs. 2.6 oz. To God Be the Glory. He joins his brother Sawyer and sister Sadie.

We would also like to welcome **Leland Tate Gosnell**. Leland was born on January 24, 2012 to **Brent and Lindsay Gosnell**, our missionaries serving with CRU (Campus Crusade). He joins his brother Elijah. To God Be the Glory!

New Evening Ladies Class Added!: Monday night, 6 PM, *James: Mercy Triumphs*, Beth Moore Study. We will meet in the conference room, 2nd floor above the office area. Please purchase your own workbook at Lifeway (\$14.95). Call the office, or just come on Monday. Childcare available, but please sign up for it in the office.

Coming Soon! Sign up today for Answers in Genesis Study: Come join us for a 13-week course that looks at a biblical view of science, geology, and astronomy. Begins March 7th and 8th at 6:30 PM in Room 221 of ABF Wing. Sign up at the table in the Fireplace Room. Childcare available for Wednesday nights meetings only (please sign up if childcare is needed).

Common Ground Marriage Weekend is being offered by Decatur Presbyterian Church on Modaus Road on Feb. 3 & 4. Admission is free. Contact Decatur Presbyterian for more details and to register. (256-351-6010 or www.decatupca.org)

The Flower Committee has several opportunities for you to volunteer in this ministry of the church. NO experience needed. All you need is a love for making our church beautiful. Please consider offering your help in one or more of these areas:

- * Join the flower committee. Responsibilities consist of helping decorate the church and sanctuary for Christmas and being responsible for the Sanctuary flowers one Sunday per quarter.
- * Sign up on the Flower Calendar for one or more Sundays to provide flowers for the Sanctuary. This is a wonderful opportunity to honor a loved one, a special event such as birthday, anniversary, etc.
- * Make a donation designated for the Flower Committee to help with special decorations, such as Easter, Christmas and overall decorations for the church.

There will be a sign up table set up over the next several weeks. Please stop by and sign up to help in this ministry or email Ella Martin at ella.martin@charter.net.

Student News (6th-12th grade).

DNOW (Discipleship Now, a city wide youth event): Student Ministry weekend retreat for High School and Middle School students, February 3-5. **Sign up today at the table in Fireplace Room!** The cost is \$50.00 for the entire weekend. Registration Forms can be downloaded from the FBC website (www.fbc.org).

Interested in a high school mission trip this summer to Haiti, June 8-16? All parents and teens (9th -12 grade) please come to an informational meeting Sunday, February 12, 2012 at 12:15pm in the youth room. Any questions call Sher'ri Metzgar 256-350-9495.

EVENING SERVICE TONIGHT • 5:15 PM

Seven Things Every Christian Should Know, 11
How to Displease God

This Week's Events

Today-01/29/12

5:15pm Evening Bible Study
5:15pm AWANA/Sportsters/
GIGAS and TREK

Monday-01/30/12

5:45pm Celebrate Recovery
6:00pm Ladies Bible Study
(James) in Conf. Room.

Tuesday-01/31/12

6:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast

Wednesday-02/01/12

9:15am Ladies Precept Bible
Study (Rm. 205)
9:30am Ladies Beth Moore
(James) Bible Study (Rm.
202)

5:15pm Field House Praise Band

5:30pm CR Ladies Step Study

6:30pm DNOW Kick Off at
Decatur Baptist Church

6:30pm Sanctuary Praise Band

6:30pm Bible Study - Old Testa-
ment Prophecy

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday - 02/02/12

No Activities Scheduled

Friday- 02/03/12

6:30pm DNOW Check In

Financial Update

Below is our financial status as of
January 22, 2012. If you have questions,
please contact Kevin Burleson, 773-4272

General Fund/Missions

2012 YTD needs \$162,648.00
2012 YTD receipts \$127,798.97
Variance +/- - \$34,849.03

CR Ladies Step Study

Wednesday nights

5:30pm - 7:00pm

childcare provided
in room 215 on ABF wing

THE GREAT KID'S MISSION CONFERENCE

2012

February 24-26

Preschool - Grades K thru 5th
Fri. and Sat. evenings, 6:00-7:30
Sunday Morning during regular Kids
Worship services.

Adults and teens,
we need your help!

Please contact Sher'ri Metzgar to
find out how you can serve.
256-350-9495 or
sherrimetzgar@bellsouth.net

2012 Mission Conference

February 24-26, 2012

Speaker: Dr. Hans Finzel, President, WorldVenture

This weekend has been designed to maximize our church's exposure to missionaries. It is our hope that the Lord will use His servants at the mission conference to expand our vision for God among the unreached and become personally involved in missions.

Your help is needed! If you are interested in...

- **Hosting one of the Cottage Meetings** for our visiting missionaries, please contact Earlene Baker, 353-2711 or earl@fbc.org.
- **Missions Closet** - Stop by the coffee commons area to see what is needed to "stock" the Missions Closet for the upcoming Missions Conference. Pick up a card(s) with an item listed and return that item to the designated bins no later than Sunday Feb 19. Contact Diane Hubbard at 256-350-4021 or dianehubbard@charter.net for information or questions.