

How to Help Our Pastor Be a Great Pastor



1. Accept him as a man of God.

- · Accept his humanity
- Accept his unique calling and preparation

2. Consider his great responsibility

- · To be the shepherd of the flock- to lead the church in caring
- To be the leader of the church's programs & Danning, teaching, training
- To lead the worship of the church
- · To lead in reaching out to others, witnessing and sharing
- To participate in the association, denominational work, in local ministerial work

3. Support him adequately

- By prayer
- By encouragement
- · By material resources
- By cooperation

4. Help him and his family to have privacy

- By understanding his study habits
- · By insisting that he take time with his family

5. Add a personal touch

- · Consider him a personal friend, treat him as one
- Surprise him and his family with special treatment at times, unplanned, unexpected
- · Love him even if you disagree with him at times

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PROJECT SPRING CLEAN-UP!4

The First Baptist Trustee ministry will be conducting Project Spring Clean-Up.

Now, through Tuesday, May 16th, the team will be going through all church facilities and properties including parking lots and garages tagging items as "keep", "donate", and/or "trash". Over the past few years, our areas have become overcrowded with stuff (i.e. old furniture, donations, personal items). Thus, we are asking that if you have any personal items currently stored in any First Baptist facility/area, even if you have received prior permission, that you make arrangements to have it removed within the next 30 days or it may be tagged to get rid of. Once everything has been properly tagged, all items that are tagged for either "donation" or "trash" will be made available for one (1) week to the congregation to "shop and take", with no deliveries. After that, the items will be donated and/or trashed. We are asking for your prayers and understanding as we take on this project for the general upkeep and maintaining of all church properties.

THE LAMPLIGHTER...

the quarterly publication enjoyed by many over the years, will resume as a monthly publication. The first edition is planned for May 2023. Ministry Team Leaders are encouraged to share past events as well as upcoming events. Members may submit items relevant to our church family. All items will be due the last Monday of each month. So for the 1st issue in May, items will be due tomorrow, April 24th.

Email to Bernice Jones at bernicejones180@yahoo.com.

THE FLC IS OPEN!...

The gym and the workout/weight room will be available. Below are FLC hours. If you have further questions, please reach out to MTL Bro.

Shedrick Jones: 502.445.3220 or shedrick.jones@fbcjtown.org

Current Hours:

Mon, Tues, and Thur ~ 5:30 - 8:30pm

CONGRATULATIONS!



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Week of April 17 - April 23, 2023

PRAISE REPORTS:

- 1. Praising God JUST BECAUSE!
- 2. Praising God for our blessed 190th Church Anniversary! Thanking God for starting us off with a blessed mid-week service , Gala and Sunday Worship Service!
- 3. Praising God that the Tsambos made it back from South Africa safely!
- 4. Praising God that Revs. Kilen & Cassandra Gray celebrated with us their 40th wedding anniversary!
- 5. Praising God that Sis. Nicki Jones' friend, Sis. Janice Cunningham has been healed!
- 6. Praising God that every month the Prayer Ministry Team's goal is to highlight and pray God's favor over our church and community's events. Please let us know if you have an event you want us to list as a point of focus for that month. For the month of April we will lift up the transition of our new pastor, our leadership, the FBCJ body as we allow God to have His way in the life of FBCJ, our Youth Prayer Team, the Trustee Ministry's Project Spring Clean-Up and for the VBS Planning Team who has requested prayer as they prepare for VBS 2023!

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- 1. Please pray for Sis. Victoria Culberson's neighbors.
- 2. Please pray for Taylor Flanagan as he recovers from surgery.
- 3. Please continue to pray for Sis. Lillian Smith in Baptist Hospital. Also pray for her siblings Vivian, Ulysses and Robert who are also ill.
- 4. Please pray for Sis. Jennifer Swope McCracken's great nephew, Devin Davis of Ohio.
- 5. Please pray for Sis. Sandra Robinson, she will be having surgery on Wednesday, April, 19, 2023.
- 6. Please continue to pray for Rev. Woody and Sis. Janice McElvaney. Please pray for her son as well.
- 7. Please be in prayer for the FBCJ Trustee Ministry as they conduct Project Spring Clean-Up!
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- 8. Please pray for Sis. Christiane Culberson's friend and parents who found out their baby would be a still-birth. She requests that we pray for comfort and strength.
- 9. Please pray for Bruce.
- 10. Please pray for Sis. Stacy Slaughter, she was rushed back to the hospital by EMS. Also pray for her sister, Sis. Phyllis Slaughter.

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BEREAVEMENT:

- 1. Please pray for Bro. Richard & Sis. Angela Wilson. Sis. Angela Wilson's brother, Bruce, passed away on Wednesday, April 20, 2023.
- 2. Please pray for the family of Dr. Charles Stanley, Senior Pastor of First Baptist Atlanta and leader of In Touch Ministries. He passed away Tuesday, April 18, 2023.
- 3. Please pray for Bro. Roy & Sis. Martha Moore and family, on the death of their granddaughter.
- 4. Please pray for Sis. Sandra Robinson's family, the Ray and Freeman families. Two cousins in two weeks have passed away. One was funeralized on Tuesday, the other will be funeralized on this Saturday.
- 5. Please pray for Bro. Joe Wilson's co-worker, Greg Young. His mother passed away.

