



# THE OPEN DOOR

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
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*"To the angel of the church of Philadelphia write...behold I have before thee a door having been open, which no one is able to close." Revelation 3:7-8*

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**Focus on WMU**  
**Sunday, February 10**  
**11:00 Worship Service**

**All Women and Girls are  
invited to come and fill the  
Choir this Sunday Morning.**

**Brotherhood Breakfast**  
**Sunday, February 10**  
**7:30 a.m. in the C.L.C.**

Guest Speaker will be Mark Mathis,  
Campus Director for the Baptist  
Children's Village.

All Men and Boys are invited to attend.



## Pastor Paragraph

God blessed us with a wonderful day on Saturday to work outside and help a church member with a need. We had our FBC youth boys who were involved in Disciple Now that gave of their free time to rake leaves, pick up sticks and clean up this yard. We had several adults join in helping us to be able to get everything completed. The youth girls worked at the church in several cleanup projects. Evan and Meredith Humphries came and participated in the D-Now and the cleanup projects even though their first Sunday with us will not be until Sunday, February 10. We appreciate Jackie Cheatham coordinating and helping to plan this D-Now for our youth. There were 16 churches involved with around 220 students and leaders participating in this D-Now weekend.

Please pray for Evan, Meredith and Liz Lyle as they move to Philadelphia on Tuesday of this week. We will have a welcome pounding for Evan and Meredith during our Sunday School Banquet on February 24. Our youth will have a SNAC (Sunday Night After Church) welcome time for Evan and Meredith Sunday, February 10.

We are glad to welcome Tiffney Loper to our staff. She began on Monday as our Education Ministry Assistant. Please pray for her as she begins this new chapter in her life.

Saturday, February 9, we will have an opportunity to help with clean up around our city. If you can help, please meet at The Depot, CDP Office, at 8:00am. We will divide into groups to cover as much of our city as possible. We plan to finish at 12 noon. Gloves will be provided to us by Justin Clearman and Wells Lamont Corporation.

God is moving in some special ways through FBC. Thank you for all that you do to represent Christ to our community.

Love,  
Bro. Dan

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### The Battle Plan For Prayer

We will continue with our second session of *The Battle Plan for Prayer* on Sunday, February 10, at 5pm in the Adult 3 & 4 Sunday School Department. If you did not get a book, we have those available in the church office or you may pick one up Wednesday night. All adults are invited to join us. We will offer this same study on Mondays at 12 noon beginning, February 25.

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### HOSPITAL

June Eldridge

Neshoba General

## OPPORTUNITIES

### EXTENDED SESSION

#### February 10 (Babies)

Tyler Rounsaville  
Carly Rounsaville

#### February 10 (Toddlers)

Gary Keen  
Sue Keen

#### February 17 (Babies)

Bob Henson  
Beth Henson

#### February 17 (Toddlers)

Matthew Scruggs  
Natalie Scruggs

#### FEBRUARY TEAM MEMBER:

Natalie Scruggs

### LIBRARY

#### February 10

Marsha Howard

#### February 17

Shirley Breazeale

### DEACON OF THE WEEK

#### February 10

Ryan Jenkins  
David Durant

#### February 17

Bill Griffis  
Joey Kilgore

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## Sanctuary Flowers

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given in honor of the WMU of First Baptist Church.*

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**Mom's Morning Out**  
**Wednesday, Feb. 20**  
**10am-11:30am**



**All Moms are invited**  
**Come for a time of**  
**Bible Study.**

**Childcare will be provided.**

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*With Sympathy*

We extend our Christian Sympathy to the family of Kenneth Gray at the loss of his sister, Janet Jacobson.

We extend our Christian Sympathy to the family of Neda Byars at the loss of her sister, Syble McNair.

We extend our Christian Sympathy to the family of Beth Kilgore at the loss of her grandmother, Mae Jones.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER



### MENU FOR FEBRUARY 13

Spaghetti and Meat Sauce  
Green Beans/Green Salad  
Texas Toast/Dessert

**Serve:** Pat Mioton, Mary Wilson  
**Cleanup:** Harry Bates, Suzanne Gheyri  
Kay Bates and Geraldine Watson  
**Money Table:** Shirley Breazeale



On Baptist Men's Day our men set another good example for us all by filling the choir with voices shouting His praises. Now women, it is your turn. This Sunday February 10 is WMU emphasis Sunday, and we plan to fill the choir with women singers. We are inviting all women to join, even those who have no choir experience. We will practice at 10:45 a.m. in the choir room and sing at the 11:00 a.m. service. I hope to see and hear all of our women this week telling the story of Jesus through music.



## Strengthening Families Weekend

Saturday, March 2  
Sunday, March 3

Featuring Dr. Ron and Kathy Mumbower

A nursery will be provided.  
Keep watching for more details!

One of my favorite scripture passages: "At once I was in the Spirit, and there before me was a throne in heaven with someone sitting on it. And the one who sat there had the appearance of jasper and carnelian" Revelation 4:2-3. We all need to remember that God is sitting on His throne. He is relaxed not fretful or worried or anxious, even in the strangest of times. He is the same today as He has always been. He is still Lord over ALL. He is NOT caught "off guard" and He is never surprised by anything. He has everything under control. He continues to make "a way" where there seems to be no way! Our mountains tremble before Him and giants flee. The Lord is good all the time our ever present help in times of trouble. We can too can trust Him and rest assured in His presence.

Shouting for Joy!

*William W. Smith*



B.A.L.L. Luncheon  
Tuesday, February 19  
12 noon

Bro. David Addy, Director of the Neshoba Baptist Association, will be the guest speaker.

All Senior Adults are invited to come and bring a covered dish.

2018 Contribution Statements  
The 2018 Contribution Statements are ready,  
and may be picked up in the church office.



On Tuesday, February 12, at 2 pm the Martha Haggan Group will continue a more than 40 year tradition of hosting a valentine party for the residents of Neshoba County Nursing Home. Ladies are needed to be part of this tradition of sharing of ourselves with the residents. Show up wearing something red with a smile on your face and let's brighten their day and ours too. Ellene Turcotte is coordinating refreshments. Let her know if there is something you would like to contribute. If you have any questions, call Sue Keen 601-562-8450.

**B.A.L.L. SUPPER**  
The B.A.L.L. Group will meet for supper  
Thursday, Feb. 7, at 5:00 p.m. at City Limits.

## COMMUNITY WIDE CLEAN UP DAY

Saturday, February 9  
8 a.m. – 12 noon  
Meet @ The Depot, CDP Office



S.N.A.C.  
Sunday, February 10  
For All Youth  
7 p.m. in CLC

## WEEK OF ACTIVITIES

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

|                                       |            |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Brotherhood Breakfast .....           | 7:30 a.m.  |
| Deacons Meeting .....                 | 8:30 a.m.  |
| Media Center.....                     | 9:30 a.m.  |
| Sunday School .....                   | 9:45 a.m.  |
| Morning Worship Service .....         | 11:00 a.m. |
| Children's Bible Drill .....          | 4:00 p.m.  |
| Youth Worship Arts.....               | 4:00 p.m.  |
| Handbell Choir.....                   | 5:00 p.m.  |
| Adult Discipleship Training.....      | 5:00 p.m.  |
| Preschool Discipleship Training ..... | 5:00 p.m.  |
| TeamKID (Grades 1-6).....             | 5:00 p.m.  |
| Youth Discipleship Training.....      | 5:00 p.m.  |
| Evening Worship Service .....         | 6:00 p.m.  |
| Youth SNAC.....                       | 7:00 p.m.  |

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

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| Men's Bible Study ..... | 7:00 a.m. |
| GROW .....              | 6:00 p.m. |

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

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| Retired Men's Coffee.....            | 9:00 a.m.        |
| BALL Officers Meeting.....           | 10:00 a.m.       |
| Valentine Party @ Nursing Home ..... | 2:00 p.m.        |
| Good News Club.....                  | 3:00 – 4:15 p.m. |

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

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| Wednesday Night Supper ..... | 5:00 p.m. |
| Media Center.....            | 5:10 p.m. |
| Preschool Choir.....         | 6:00 p.m. |
| Chancel Choir .....          | 6:20 p.m. |
| Mission Friends.....         | 6:30 p.m. |
| G.A.'s and R.A.'s.....       | 6:30 p.m. |
| Youth .....                  | 6:30 p.m. |
| Contemporary Worship.....    | 6:30 p.m. |
| Prayer & Bible Study .....   | 6:30 p.m. |
| Praise Team Practice.....    | 7:30 p.m. |

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

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| Upward Games ..... | 5:30 p.m. |
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### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

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| Upward Games ..... | 8:30 a.m. |
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### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

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| CMC Team Meeting .....                | 8:30 a.m.  |
| Media Center.....                     | 9:30 a.m.  |
| Sunday School .....                   | 9:45 a.m.  |
| Morning Worship Service .....         | 11:00 a.m. |
| Children's Bible Drill .....          | 4:00 p.m.  |
| Youth Worship Arts.....               | 4:00 p.m.  |
| Handbell Choir.....                   | 5:00 p.m.  |
| Adult Discipleship Training.....      | 5:00 p.m.  |
| Preschool Discipleship Training ..... | 5:00 p.m.  |
| TeamKID (Grades 1-6).....             | 5:00 p.m.  |
| Youth Discipleship Training.....      | 5:00 p.m.  |
| Evening Worship Service .....         | 6:00 p.m.  |

## CHURCH STAFF

|                               |                                |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Dr. Dan Howard.....           | Pastor                         |
| William Smith .....           | Minister of Music              |
| Jackie Cheatham.....          | Minister of Children           |
| Laura Thrash .....            | Financial Ministry Assistant   |
| Tiffney Loper .....           | Education Ministry Assistant   |
| Jennifer Prince.....          | Child Ministry Center Director |
| Gail Turner.....              | Christian Life Center Director |
| Church Office.....            | (601)656-1507                  |
| Fax.....                      | (601)656-3664                  |
| Church Email .....            | fbphilly@netdoor.com           |
| Church Website.....           | www.fbcphilly.com              |
| Kindergarten/Child Care ..... | (601)656-5015                  |

## WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

### February 3, 2019

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|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Budget .....                     | \$32,696.97  |
| Wee Care.....                    | \$3,442.33   |
| Wednesday Night Supper.....      | \$378.00     |
| Upward Concessions .....         | \$0.00       |
| CMC Furnishings .....            | \$200.00     |
| Youth.....                       | \$880.00     |
| Good News Club .....             | 100.00       |
| Outreach Refund .....            | \$20.00      |
| Father/Daughter Banquet .....    | \$200.00     |
| D-Now.....                       | \$20.00      |
| Centrikids .....                 | \$600.00     |
| Mfuge .....                      | \$250.00     |
| Lottie Moon.....                 | \$10.00      |
| Annie Armstrong.....             | \$10.00      |
| State Missions .....             | \$10.00      |
| Designated.....                  | \$10,300.00  |
| CMC Direct Deposits .....        | \$10,485.00  |
| CMC Deposit .....                | \$4,997.00   |
| Budget Requirement to Date ..... | \$481,672.90 |
| Budget Offerings to Date .....   | \$425,068.65 |
| Under Budget .....               | \$56,604.25  |
| Wee Care Given to Date.....      | \$558,501.89 |

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| <b>WEEKLY BUDGET REQUIREMENT:</b>  | <b>\$20,942.30</b> |
| <b>BUDGET AMT. RECEIVED 2/3/19</b> | <b>\$32,696.97</b> |

## SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

|             | <u>February 3, 2019</u> |         |
|-------------|-------------------------|---------|
| Departments | Enrolled                | Present |
| Preschool   | 37                      | 18      |
| Children    | 48                      | 22      |
| Youth       | 34                      | 16      |
| Adults      | 324                     | 150     |
| Total       | 443                     | 206     |