

God Cares, We Care
About You



"Casting all your cares on Him,
because He cares about you."
1 Peter 5:7 CSB

THE OPEN DOOR

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
414 PECAN AVENUE
PHILADELPHIA, MISSISSIPPI 39350
601-656-1507

"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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LUAU

B.E.A.C.H. Sunday School
CELEBRATION

February 18

ALOHA!!

Sunday night's LUAU will be held in the CLC beginning at 5:00 pm.
Our winner for the SS Promotion will be announced.



Pastor Paragraph

Valentine's Day is a day we think about showing love to special people in our lives. This Valentine's Day falls on Ash Wednesday in the Liturgical Calendar. Ash Wednesday is considered a day of repentance before the season of Lent begins. Palm branches that were used in the previous year's Palm Sunday observance are burned and these ashes are used to make a cross on the foreheads of churchgoers to symbolize repentance from sin. These ashes are also a reminder that we were created from dust and we will return to dust. Lent is a period of time to prepare for Easter and is associated with fasting or giving up something for the 40 to 46 days before Easter.

While we as Baptists do not follow these traditions, Valentine's Day occurring on Ash Wednesday, a day associated with repentance, provides a heightened awareness for us this year of the greatness of God's love for us and the reason we have the hope of being forgiven. God's love for us was clearly shown through Christ's death on the cross. John 3:16 reminds us that God loved us so much that He gave us His Son to die on the cross to pay for our sinfulness. We know that Jesus is alive today because of the resurrection. We serve a living Savior! God's love for us is described in 1 Corinthians 13. This "agape" love is the kind of love God has for us and the kind of love God desires us to have for one another. God's love can only flow through us after we receive Jesus as our Savior.

As we celebrate Valentine's Day may we remember the greatest example of love given to mankind, Jesus, and the love He has for us. May we seek to love others with His love.

Love,
Bro. Dan



HOSPITAL

Laura Thrash

Neshoba, 2214

OPPORTUNITIES

EXTENDED SESSION

Month of February

Carly & Tyler Rounsaville
Natalie & Matthew Scruggs

Month of March

Brice & Ashley Richardson

LIBRARY

February 18

Pat Posey

February 25

Brenda Barnett

DEACON OF THE WEEK

February 18

Bill Griffis
Joey Kilgore

February 25

Don McKay
David Durant

Sanctuary Flowers

We have openings on the Flower Calendar.
If you would like to place flowers in honor or memory of someone, please call the church office to reserve a Sunday.

Neshoba Baptist Food Pantry

FBC is responsible for re-stocking the Food Pantry at the Baptist Center during the month of February. Please bring canned goods or non-perishable food items and place in the box outside the church office.

Welcome New Members

BY LETTER:

Mark Stroud
107 Plantation Point N.
Philadelphia, MS 39350
601-389-9991

BY LETTER:

Kristie Johnson
107 Plantation Point N.
Philadelphia, MS 39350
601-278-1476

BY BAPTISM:

Abigail Evans
529 Line St.
Philadelphia, MS 39350
601-917-9353



Wild Game Supper

Thursday, March 1

6:30 pm

Christian Life Center



Jimmy Primos will be our guest speaker. There will be wild game dishes prepared. Please bring side dishes and desserts to go along with our meal.



Menu for February 21

Chicken Strips
Macaroni & Cheese
Butter Beans/Green Salad
Roll/Dessert

Serve: Tiffney Loper, Laura Thrash

Clean Up: Herman Alford, Suzanne Gheyri,
Brenda Barnett, Dot Johnson

Money Table: Pam Thrash

Kidz Corner

As Christian parents we want our children to develop a close personal relationship with God that will sustain them throughout their lives, no matter what they may face. One way to foster this relationship is with church. Church is not only a place of worship, it is a community of believers that offers support and encourages Christian growth. So how do we help our children connect at church?

Make church a priority for the entire family. We all feel we don't have time to spare, but regular church attendance is necessary for our children and us to have a sense of belonging. Involve yourself and children with weekly services, Bible study and special events. TeamKid on Sunday nights at 5:00 is a great way to help your children connect with other children. Each TeamKid lesson incorporates several "team building" activities that encourage them to be kind, compassionate and accepting of others. Also, talk to your children about the importance of attending church and what the Bible says about fellowshiping with other believers.

"Let us be concerned for one another, to help one another to show love and to do good. Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing. Instead, let us encourage one another all the more, since you see that the Day of the Lord is coming nearer." Hebrews 10:24-25 (GNT)

Hope to see you all Sunday.

Love in Christ,
Mrs. Jackie

Contribution Statements

Contribution Statements
for 2017 are available
in the church office.



CentriKid

Blueprint – God's Design

June 23-27

Total Cost: \$215

Deposit of \$60 is due **NOW!!!**



RETIRED MEN'S COFFEE

Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m.
Christian Life Center (CLC)



B.A.L.L. LUNCHEON

Our B.A.L.L. Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, February 20, at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring covered dishes and desserts. We will have guests, so please bring a little extra. Our program will be the BALL Mystery Theater – the ladies from Hysteria Lane!!

Upward Celebration

Saturday, February 24

2:00 pm

FBC Sanctuary

Entertainment by

Geddy the Gecko



WEEK OF ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Child Ministry Center 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.
Student Ministries Team Meeting	4:00 p.m.
Children's Bible Drill	4:00 p.m.
NO Youth Worship Arts	4:00 p.m.
NO Adult Discipleship Training	5:00 p.m.
NO Preschool Discipleship Training	5:00 p.m.
NO TeamKID (Grades 1-6)	5:00 p.m.
NO Youth Discipleship Training	5:00 p.m.
LUAU Beach Celebration for SS Promotion	5:00 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Retired Men's Coffee	9:00 a.m.
B.A.L.L. Luncheon	12:00 noon
Good News Club	3:00 – 4:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Wednesday Night Supper	5:00 p.m.
Media Center	5:10 p.m.
Children's Choir	5:30 p.m.
Preschool Choir	6:00 p.m.
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	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 23

Upward Games	5:30 p.m.
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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Upward Games	8:30 a.m.
Upward Celebration	2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Church Council	8:45 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.
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
Clay Pope	Minister of Students
Jackie Cheatham	Minister of Children
Laura Thrash	Financial Ministry Assistant
Pam Phillips	Education Ministry Assistant
Jennifer Prince	Child Ministry Center Director
Gail Turner	Christian Life Center Director
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Kindergarten/Child Care	(601)656-5015

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

February 11, 2018

Budget	\$12,052.00
Wee Care	\$1,623.33
Wednesday Night Supper	\$575.00
Upward	\$147.85
CentriKid - Children	\$320.00
Food Pantry	\$50.00
Office Refund	\$4.00
Brotherhood	\$45.00
Refund – Petty Cash	\$30.00
CMC Direct Deposits	\$0.00
CMC Deposit	\$0.00
Budget Requirement to date	\$447,338.92
Budget Offerings to date	\$425,360.49
Under Budget	\$21,978.43
Wee Care Given to Date	\$293,295.98

WEEKLY BUDGET REQUIREMENT:	\$18,638.69
BUDGET AMT. RECEIVED 02/11/18:	\$12,052.00

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

	<u>February 11, 2018</u>	
Departments	Enrolled	Present
Preschool	37	22
Children	48	22
Youth	34	17
Adults	324	128
Total	443	189