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Newest Members to Join First Baptist Church



(Left to right) Carole and Bernard Smith recently joined FBC. Bernard Smith retired from the poultry business to farming in Chatham County. Carole Atkins Smith retired as an art teacher, Chatham County. They reside at Pine Hill Farm, Bear Creek and raise Angus cattle and American quarter horses. They have three sons and six grand-children.

Gary and Linda Moore live in the New Hill community. Gary was a principal at Deep River and Ingram. He also fills in for pulpit supply at various churches. Linda has been a counselor for several years. They have 2 daughters, a son and grandchildren. **Lucille "Lucy" Maddox** walks regularly at the Family Life Center. Her sister Gladys Thomas is also a member, along with niece Janet Tucker and nephew Buddy Godwin, plus she is known for her delicious coconut pie.

Get to know these and more of our new members at our **Meet-and Greet New Member's Luncheon** on **May 20th, immediately following the worship service.** Bring a covered dish for your family and an extra dish for a friend!



CD's (audio) and DVD's (video)

of the program Proclaim His Salvation! are available at \$2.⁰⁰ each. A DVD only of the children's program from May 6 is also available. Please call the church office to order copies: 919-774-4220.

CHURCH SECURITY TRAINING

Saturday, May 19, 9:00 - 12:00, in the Fellowship Hall. This training is being offered by a law enforcement/security expert. We encourage all of the following people to attend: deacons, ushers and greeters, church emergency response team, nursery leaders, Sunday School leaders, after-school care leaders, and church staff. This training will help us to be better prepared to make appropriate responses should emergencies arise at church.

MOTHER'S DAY THIS SUNDAY

Due to the celebration of Mother's Day, there will be **no activities this Sunday night**, May 13th. On Sunday, May 20th, there will be a Deacons' Meeting at 6:00 and Church Conference at 7:00.

NEW SUMMERTIME HOUR

Since summer is fast approaching, Wednesday, May 16, marks the beginning of a new time for prayer and Bible study during the summertime. Why not join us?



GIDEON BLESSING

We were blessed by the message that Lee Logwood with the Gideons International shared with us on Sunday, May 6. The church gave an offering of \$636 to the Gideons for the purchase of Bibles.

FAMILY PROMISE

May 13-20-Our turn to host!

Reflections from the Pastor

"I Love You, Mother" by Ann Noe Womble

This week we feature another guest column by our own Ann Noe Womble from her book Memories Are Forever.

I used to remind my students that if they didn't do anything else for their mothers on Mother's Day, they should at least say, "I love you." I once heard a mother say she wished her son would say I love you. His "Okay" or "Yep" in response to her "I love you" was the closest he ever came. I think she finally accepted that as his way of saying I love you. I believe even if these words are more difficult to say for some than others, they are words we should make every effort to say!

I suppose we fail to reach out because we are afraid we will be hurt, ridiculed, laughed at or rejected. However, the world needs touches and hugs! There are many lonely people in the world who are searching for acceptance and love. If we fail to give it to them, they turn to other forces in the world.

Some people say it is more important to reach out and touch someone than it is to feed or house them. The shelter provided is gone overnight and the bread is gone in a day, but the memory of the touch we share will last always.

On Mother's Day, reach out and tell your mother you love her. Not long after my mother died, I wrote the following words:

*I miss my mother more every day.
Wish I could phone and hear her say,
Whatcha doing pal? How you feel today?
I miss my mother more than I can say.*

Thank you, Ann, for reminding us to show love to others and especially to our mothers. "Honor your father and your mother" (Exodus 20:12). If you, like me, are blessed to still have a living mother, then go see her this week or at least give her a call to say, "I love you, Mom."

In Christ, Matt



Weekday Education Artwork

"She is loving and caring, and puts up with my mess." (Jonathan)

"She was so sweet and good to me. I sure do miss her." (Tim)

"She was always there for me." (Frances)

"I don't need a manual or directions for life cuz I have my mom." (Angela)

As I thought about these responses, I couldn't help but think of Proverbs 31:28: "Her children arise and call her blessed." I think God gave us mothers as a picture of Him: Loving, caring, providing, helping, sweet, good, always there for us!

In Christ, Cindy

FAMILY LIFE CENTER

This morning, I walked through the Family Life Center, asking people what made their mother special to them. These were some of the responses from both children and adults:

"She loves me, and buys me food." (Isabelle)

"She gets me what I need, and helps me when I am sick." (Tatum)

"She takes me to the trampoline park." (Cale)

"My mom takes care of me." (Aubrey)

"When I need help, she stops everything and helps me." (Elayna)

"She brings me BoJangles and Sandra's Donuts" (Kyle)

**Worship at First Baptist
Sunday, May 13, 2018**

Mother's Day Sunday
Dr. Matt Garrett
Preacher

11:00
"God Will Make a Way"
by Don Moen
Chancel Choir with Matt Thomas, Solo

Mike's Musings 

Triple L - Our May Triple L Luncheon will be next Tuesday at New Life Praise Church as we gather with senior saints from all over the association. Our program will be given by Samantha Allred from the North Carolina Baptist Aging Ministry. We will leave the church at 10:45 and should be done by around 1:00. Please sign up in your Sunday School room or by calling the church office by noon Monday. Also, please let us know if you want to ride on the church van to the meeting. You are also welcome to meet us there at 11:00.

We have had wonderful sign-up for our July 18-19 trip to Abingdon and Bristol, VA. There are still a few spots left if you are interested! Deadline is June 3rd.



Note change in schedule: Mission Group #6 will NOT MEET in May or during the summer. The next meeting will be in September! See you then!

Thank You

Dear First Baptist Church:

Thank you so much for the opportunity to use the parlor for counseling at First Baptist Church. I've completed my internship hours and will graduate from UNCW this Friday. Cindy Hall and FBC not only supported my learning, but more importantly, you played a key role in providing counseling to those who could not afford it. Thank you also for the ongoing ministry of Jobseekers in which I participated.

Blessings to you in your ministry,

Tim Martin

Dates to Remember

- **Sunday, May 13 FLC open by reservation only)**
- Mother's Day Sunday
- Youth return from Caswell
- 8:40 a.m. Worship in the Chapel
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship Service in the Sanctuary
- **Monday, May 14 (FLC 7:00-2:00 p.m.; 5:00-6:00 p.m.)**
- 9:00 a.m. WEC Preschool* *Monday through Friday
- 9:00 Morning Movers
- 5:00 p.m. Zumba Class, gym
- 5:30 T.O.P.S., Craft Room
- 6:00 Chapel Voices
- 6:15 Pickleball
- 7:00 Jubilation Ringers
- 7:15 Mission Group #10, dinner, TBA
- **Tuesday, May 15 (FLC 7:00-2:00 p.m.; 5:00-6:00 p.m.)**
- 9:30 a.m. Different Strokes Art Class
- 9:30 Prayer Ministry, Library
- 10:45 Triple L Event (finished about 1:00)
- 1:30 Line Dancing
- 5:00 Zumba Class, gym
- 6:00 Girl Scouts
- 7:00 Boy Scouts
- 7:00 myMissions
- **Wednesday, May 16 (FLC 7:00-2:00 p.m.)**
- 8:30 a.m. JobSeekers, Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 Morning Movers, FLC
- 9:30 Jobs for Life
- 10:30 Meals on Wheels
- 11:00 Prayer Meeting, Chapel
- 6:45 Trinity Singers
- 7:15 Chancel Choir
- **Thursday, May 17 (FLC 7:00-2:00 p.m.; 5:00-6:00 p.m.)**
- 5:00 p.m. Zumba
- 6:15 Pickleball
- **Friday, May 18 (FLC 7:00-11 a.m.)**
- 9:00 a.m. Morning Movers
- 10:00 Line Dancing Class
- **Saturday, May 19 (FLC open by reservation only)**
- 9:00 Church Security Workshop

Cup of Cheer, May 2nd





Dates for your Calendar

Lookout CasWell!
May 11–13th



Will you be on the bus?

HOSPITAL

MOORE REGIONAL: Chris Dolan **PARKVIEW:** Scott Swindell, Sr.
WESTFIELD: Catherine Thomas

NURSERY

May 13 workers: Elaine Stone, Heather Sibbach; Bethany and Matt Deamer
Early Service Ushers: David Spivey, Mike Steck

AT A GLANCE

April 29, 2018

Weekly Budget Requirement.....	19,500.00
Budget Received	10,863.89
Building/Capital Improvement.....	300.00
Other.....	2,276.30
TOTAL.....	13,440.19

May 6, 2018

Weekly Budget Requirement.....	19,500.00
Budget Received	14,942.46
Building/Capital Improvement.....	528.00
Other.....	3,326.00
TOTAL.....	18,796.46

Cheerful Opportunity



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