

# First Baptist Church

## Lexington, NC

**Steeple Talk - July 2015**



*Annual Church Picnic*

*VBS Kick - Off*

*Sunday, July 19 - Fellowship Hall*

*5:00 p.m. - Family Activities*

*6:00 p.m. Covered Dish Supper - (Bring a Full Basket)*

*7:00 p.m. - Vacation Bible School Opening*

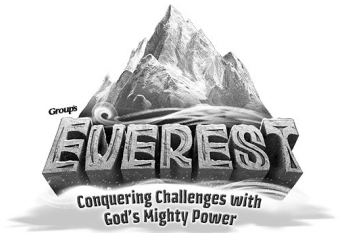
**Vacation Bible School - July 20 - 23**

**Monday - Thursday**

**5:15 p.m. Snack Supper - Fellowship Hall**

**6:00 - 8:00 p.m. - Vacation Bible School**

**Preschool 2 year olds to 5th grade**



When you make it to the top of Everest, you're at the highest point on earth. But Jesus is higher still! He promises to provide, to comfort, to love us forever, and more. At Everest, you will learn that his awesome power is enough to overcome any "mountain" or problem in our lives.

- 1st. Night:** God provides for Elijah. (I Kings 17)
- 2nd. Night:** God speaks to Elijah. (I Kings 19)
- 3rd. Night:** God heals Naaman. (II Kings 5)
- 4th. Night:** Jesus dies on a cross to take away our sins, then comes back to life. (Luke 22: 31, 24: 12)
- 5th. Night:** Jesus promises us an eternal home. (John 14: 1-3)

***Worship at First Baptist***

***11:00 a.m.***

*July 5 - Religious Liberty Sunday*

*July 12 - Eric and Julie Maas, Belize Missionaries*

*July 19 - "Growing Up With God" - David and Goliath*

*July 26 - Belize Mission Team Commissioning Ceremony*

*"Growing Up With God" - The Feeding of the 5,000*

# Meetings & Events

## Extended Sessions

### FIRST BAPTIST AND MBCC WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY, JULY 3 FOR THE HOLIDAY

#### July 12 Lunch

Eric and Julie Maas are our CBF Missionaries in Belize. They serve as Camp Directors for the Baptist Training Center that our church helped to start 25 years ago. Eric and Julie will be our guests Sunday, July 12. We are having a lunch with Eric and Julie following the service at Tricia's Catering. Everyone is invited to attend. Tickets are \$14.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children 10 and under. Tickets (available in the church office) must be purchased by Sunday, July 5 and checks made to Tricia's Catering.

#### Covered Dish with the Huffs

Wednesday, July 15 - 5:30 p.m.

#### Fellowship Hall

The Huffs our friends from Thailand will be visiting with us this summer. A covered dish dinner is planned for a time of fellowship and information. Plan now to bring your favorite dish and come hear about the most recent work going on with the Huffs.

#### Contribution Statements

##### First Six Months

Individual contribution statements are being prepared and will be available for pick up by Sunday, July 12 during Sunday School and other times at the church. The hope is to eliminate the cost of postage. When you receive your statements look for any changes and or corrections. If you have any questions contact Sherri Salinas, our Financial Assistant either by phone (245-1261) or email [sherri@fbcclex.org](mailto:sherri@fbcclex.org).

#### Elevator Update

The Elevator has been repaired and updated. The state inspector has come and approved it's use. We now have a new solid state starter and new power unit. Thanks for your patience and cooperation.

The cost of \$27,711 to repair and upgrade the Elevator has come from the Insurance claim and \$10,000 from an undesignated fund we have. Please designate your memorial gifts and any other designated giving to help replenish this fund. Make your gift to Elevator Updates.

#### Soup and Jelly

Please remember the Tomato Soup and Grape Jelly that we provide monthly for the food pantry of Crisis Ministries of Davidson County. Your donations can be dropped off in the MBCC Dining area. Thanks to LeGrand Skinner for being so faithful in delivering the soup and jelly.

**July 5: Bed Babies:** M/M Dale Lambeth **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Dave Thornhill **3 & 4 Year Olds:** Tina Wall & Lily Thornhill

**July 12: Bed Babies:** M/M Kevin Foster **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** Christy Clark & Courtney Sams  
**3 & 4 Year Olds:** Kacie Beck and Anna Phillips

**July 19: Bed Babies:** Savannah Kepley & Whitney Brooks  
**Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Cory Kehl **3 & 4 Year Olds:** Catherine Pyle & Adriana Ortiz

**July 26: Bed Babies:** M/M Jim Skotthy **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Lee Davis **3 & 4 Year Olds:** Sandra Wilson & Jack Davis

#### Youth Ministry: Passport and Belize

The two most anticipated events of the year for our young people are the summer mission experiences at Passport and Belize. We have fourteen youth and adults going to Passport at Averett University in Danville, Virginia. We will depart in our new church bus on Monday, July 6 and return on Saturday, July 11. We have seventeen senior high youth and adults going to Belize. Our Commissioning Service will be on Sunday, July 26. This year we are joining hands with First United Methodist Church and the Belmopan Baptist Church of Belize. The three churches combined will have approximately 50 youth and adults working in Vacation Bible School in the capital city of Belmopan, August 3 - 7. Our team will be returning home on Wednesday, August 12.

We are grateful to our church family for providing these life-changing opportunities for our young people. We know you will undergird both groups with your love and prayers.

#### MBCC Cook & FBC Cook

Both the Children's Center and the Church have lost their cook and Dietician. Chef Melissa is becoming fulltime at the Life Center and her hours make it difficult to continue working for the church. She deeply regrets not being able to be here on Wednesday nights. The Dietician in the MBCC has decided it was time to make a change. The church is looking for one individual to do both or one for the Children's Center, Monday - Friday 8:00 - 3:00. The church cook is for Wednesday Family Nights and other events. If you know of a qualified individual please contact - Jean Ashley - [jean@fbcclex.org](mailto:jean@fbcclex.org) or Tommy Wilson - [tommy@fbcclex.org](mailto:tommy@fbcclex.org).

#### Columbarium

The Columbarium has niches available for purchase at a cost of \$1,500 and this includes the engraving. The Remembrance Plaque can hold one or two names and the cost is \$300. To date there have been 41 Niches and 14 Plaques sold. If you have any questions about the Columbarium or wish to make a purchase please contact Tommy at 245-1261 or [tommyh@fbcclex.org](mailto:tommyh@fbcclex.org).



## School Supplies

During the month of August, the WMU will collect much needed school supplies for area foster children. A collection box will be located in the Children's dining area of the Martha Best Children's Center.

## Winston-Salem Dash Baseball

We have reservations Friday, July 24 for WS Dash Baseball. The \$21 package includes admission, food and drink, and baseball cap. First Baptist will be recognized on the big screen during the game. Fireworks will follow the game. This is a fun-filled, enjoyable outing. Please contact the church office to make your reservations.

## VBS Supplies Needed

Listed below are items needed for VBS. A box will be provided and placed in the children's dining area of MBCC.

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|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Empty water bottles                  | Large wiggle eyes |
| Pipe cleaners                        | Colored pompoms   |
| Clear plastic cups                   | Blue bowls        |
| Battery powered lights               | Bubble mix        |
| Toilet paper rolls/paper towel rolls | Stickers          |
| Construction paper                   | Play-Doh          |
| Brown packing paper rolls            | Brown paper bags  |
| Baby wipes                           |                   |

We need to borrow the following:

- |                              |                 |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Blue sheets                  | Lanterns        |
| Snow shoes                   | Tents           |
| Below zero sleeping bags     | Ski poles       |
| Hiking rope                  | Parkas          |
| Palm trees                   | Thin pine trees |
| Old (Biblical) water pitcher | Hiking gear     |
| Hiking backpack              |                 |

## Online Giving

Giving online is simple and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet. Simply follow these easy steps:

1. Visit the church website at [www.fbclex.org](http://www.fbclex.org).
2. Click on the **On-Line Giving** button top of page.
3. Click on the **Create Profile** button, then
4. Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.

## Memorials

**Transportation Fund:** *Fred Sink* by Kelly Sink; *Hazel Morris* by Preston & Linda Blackmon; **Bereavement Fund:** *Hazel Morris* by Sue Beck; *Mozelle Leonard, Ursula Thacker* by Fred & Lynda Belk; **Endowment Fund:** *Hazel Morris, William Taylor, Doris Forest* by Peggy Barnhardt; **Elevator Repair Fund:** *Horace Conner* by Miriam Conner, Suzy Conner, Dave Colescott;

## Honorariums

**Music Ministry:** *Minnie Banks* by Betty F. Sink; **Endowment (Bus Lettering) Fund:** *Parker Lee Walser* by William & Michelle Hopkins; **Elevator Repair Fund:** *Susan Bryan's Birthday* by Betty F. Sink; **Transportation Fund:** *Susan Bryan's Birthday* by Marylyn Hilton; *Don & Gale Lanning* by Hal & Donna Routh;

## Thank You

Dear Friends in Christ.

My family and I would like to express our appreciation for the many thoughtful deeds of kindness during the loss of our mom, Marian Freeman. Your calls and cards and visits meant so much during these difficult times. Thank you for your thoughts and prayers.

In Christ's Love,  
Paul Freeman

## Welcome New Member June 21, 2015



Zowe Lilly  
407 Westover Drive  
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## College Graduate

*John Carlton "Trey" Shoaf III*

*DCCC - Associate of Arts*

# The 144 Challenge

The Belize Youth Team would like to say a special, heartfelt thank you to our church family for supporting them through the 144 Challenge. The concept is that our youth going on mission are the 12 disciples and the church is the 12 tribes of Israel. Working together we multiply our effectiveness:  $12 \times 12 = 144$ . Through your generous support we raised \$6,896. These funds will supplement the cost of the Belize trip, but most importantly it creates a bond of love and support that will undergird our team in their mission. Thank you for your gracious generosity.

## CIS Stitch for Students

Communities in Schools will again sponsor Stitch for Students. Betty Jane Honeycutt has stepped down as the coordinator and a search for a new coordinator is in progress. If you are interested in volunteering for the position or able to help sew blankets contact Ryan Jones at CIS for information. [ciscrc@triad.rr.com](mailto:ciscrc@triad.rr.com)

## Building and Grounds Work Project - Saturday, July 11 - 6:30 a.m.

The Building and Grounds Committee is having a work project on Saturday, July 11 at 6:30 a.m. **WE NEED SOME HELP AND VOLUNTEERS!** We are going to clean sidewalks, outside steps and entry ways around the church building. We need 8 to 10 people to help us on this project. It will only take 3 to 4 hours to complete the work if we have enough people to help us out. By doing the work ourselves, we can save the church money in our budget. All equipment, tools and supplies will be supplied. If you can help us, please notify the church office or Jim Tate ([jatate@triad.rr.com](mailto:jatate@triad.rr.com) or 472-8269) by July 8.

## VBS Registration 2015 First Baptist Church of Lexington [www.fbclex.org](http://www.fbclex.org) July 20 - 23, 2015



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Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

### Phone Numbers

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

### Age/Grade Information

Date of birth (for Preschoolers) or last grade completed in school) \_\_\_\_\_

### Medical Information

Medical or other information we need to know. (Include Food Allergies)

### Emergency Contacts

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

### Dismissal Information

Who will pick up your child at the end of each VBS day?

### Other Information

Do you attend Sunday School? If so where? \_\_\_\_\_

If you are visiting our church, who are you a guest of? \_\_\_\_\_

May we have permission to use your child's photograph in church

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