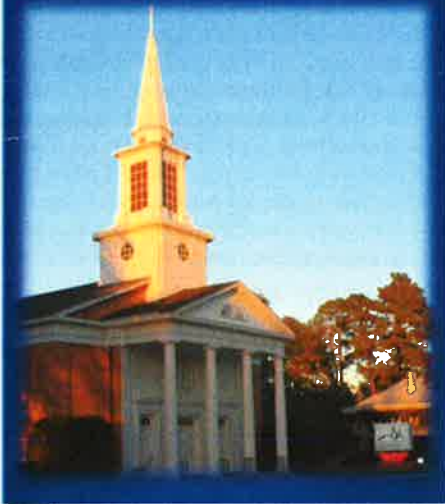




**CHURCH STAFF**

Rev. Chris Hilliard	Lead Pastor
Rev. John Davis	Minister of Music
Rev. Steve Shierling	Youth Pastor
Cathy Williford	Administrative Assistant
Barbara Williamson	Financial Secretary
Tom Whiddon	Organist
Debbie Ley	Pianist
Jessica Mitchell	FBCP&K Director
Scott Hockenbury	Facilities Manager



**GREETERS/USHERS**

**Thomas & Betty Rozier**

**Marvin Mitchell  
Jack Newell  
Wesley Ross  
Andy Swann**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL  
HALLWAY GREETER  
Ada Dodd**

Pray for, visit if you can &/or  
simply call or send a card to our  
SHUT-IN

**Mrs. Betty Waters  
P.O. Box 407  
Quitman, GA 31643**

*The Visitor*

**Sharing Christ ...**

**Serving our Community.**

**Don't Miss**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**9:45 a.m.**

**SERIES: A HEALTHY CHURCH PLANT**



**SERMON: "PAUL'S PROTÉGÉ"**

**1 TIMOTHY 1:1-3**

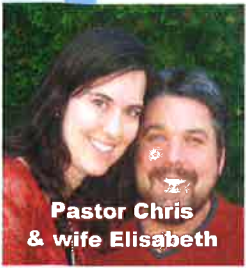
**11:00 A.M.**

**SERMON: "A HEALTHY FOUNDATION"**

**1 TIMOTHY 1:3-11**

**6:30 P.M.**

**REV. CHRIS HILLIARD**



Pastor Chris & wife Elisabeth

What a tremendous Easter Sunday we had at First Baptist. I heard from many who invited others to come and who had guest with them that day. I trust many seeds of the gospel were planted. Now, we must continue **The Big Invite** by making it a lifestyle we live. Each week, each day the people you meet are in need of Jesus Christ. As His disciple and messenger, share the hope of Jesus in all you do. This community yearns for authentic Christians who care about them and welcome them no matter their skin color, economic status, background, imperfections, etc.

After the resurrection of Jesus, the New Testament church had its beginnings and the great commission became her calling. She grew and spread quickly because of the Holy Spirit's guidance and power in the life of the church. We have that same Holy Spirit in us today. So, let's go forward growing the Kingdom of God one person at a time!

For a great resource (and app) on how to share the gospel, be sure to check out the following link. Some free training videos are on the site.

<http://lifeonmissionbook.com/conversation-guide>

Blessings,  
Pastor Chris



**YOUTH NEWS:**

steve @bemiss.com



Youth Minister Steve & wife Tami

It's Easter morning and I'm sitting here watching two of my favorite animals, G and Ness. G's a male goose and Ness is his wife, they come every year to the Ponderosa to nest. Ness is one of the best mom's ever. She sits day and night on her eggs while G stands guard. They always nest in the same spot, on the very end of the Isthmus that stretches out in the middle of the pond. G stands guard at the entrance of the Isthmus making sure nothing comes and attacks his bride. Tami and I watch them every year as they give 100% to this process. It's about this time of year when we start seeing other geese with their little goslings and yet nothing will change for our two beautiful birds! As I watch G and Ness this morning I can tell they're starting to get anxious. They'll keep giving it a hundred percent until they face the inevitable and go back and join the other geese without any babies of their own. I'll eventually throw the eggs in the pond, as I have for the last few years, and we will wait to see G and Ness again next spring when they'll come back with the same dedication to the process as they've always had!

Just writing this story makes me feel ashamed! How many times do we give a half hearted effort to ministry because the results are not what we desire? Sometimes it's pure defiance because you don't like the leadership or it's not you that will get the accolades. It's times like this when the human side takes over and we start blaming others or give up on the work we were doing. We need to get our mind off the big picture and focus more on the task at hand. It is our job to give a hundred percent at what we are called to do, God will handle the results! When you start feeling a little down because your ministry is not growing like you thought, or the numbers in the big service have dropped down from where it use to be, remember the lines to an old song. Jesus gave it all, all to him I owe!. I am challenged by the effort of G and Ness, even though the results sometimes are far from what we desire, it is our job to turn to our Lord and savior and give 100%, and know in our hearts that He will be eternally grateful!

All things in Christ!  
Steve Shierling

**WORSHIP MATTERS:**

fbqworship@hotmail.com



Minister of Music John & wife Jeanette

***"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"***  
*Words and Music by Charles Wesley*

What a glorious truth to ponder—Jesus is not the “Great I Was” but rather the “Great I Am!” He is not only a historical fact but a present-day, living reality. The whole system of Christianity rests upon the truth that Jesus Christ rose from the grave and is now seated at the Father’s right hand as our personal advocate. If all of our eternity is to be realized on this side of the grave, we are hopeless and to be pitied. But for the Christian, the resurrection assures us of God’s tomorrow. See you in worship,

John



**\*If you, or someone you know, play(s) the drums, please see John.**

**SUNDAY:**  
 9:15 a.m. Orchestra and Worship Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School\*  
 10:55 a.m. Count Down for Worship  
 11:00 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP\* (Sanctuary) Rev. Chris Hilliard  
 5:30 p.m. Youth & Children's Snack Supper  
 6:00 p.m. Bible Drill/Awana "STORE NIGHT" (Final Awana Store Night)  
 6:30 a.m. EVENING WORSHIP\* (Sanctuary) Rev. Chris Hilliard

**WEDNESDAY:**  
 6:45 a.m. FCA Bible Study @ Brooks Cty High School  
 9:00 a.m. Ministerial Staff Prayer & Planning Meeting  
 10:00 a.m. Broadcast Morning Worship on Quitman Cable Channel 6  
 10:30 a.m. FBCP&K Chapel with Pastor Chris  
 2:30 p.m. Presbyterian Home Chapel with Pastor Chris  
 5:30 p.m. SUPPER (Reservations needed)  
 5:30 -7:30 p.m. Youth Activity Time (Outside Activity, Supper, Worship, Bible Study)  
 5:30 -7:30 p.m. Children's Activities (Supper, Music & Performing Arts)  
 6:00 p.m. Small Group Bible Study "The Broken Way"  
 6:30 p.m. Pastor's Adult Bible Study\*+ (Chapel)  
 6:45 p.m. FBC Orchestra Rehearsal\*+ (Sanctuary)  
 7:30 p.m. FBC Worship Choir Rehearsal\*+\*

**THURSDAY:**  
 7:00 p.m. Jubal Brass Concert, Thomaston ([gabaptist.org/live](http://gabaptist.org/live))

**SATURDAY:**  
 10:00 a.m. Mana Drop Locations: Church of God Quitman and Morven (TBA)  
 This event is sponsored by the Brooks County Ministerial Association.

\*Nursery Provided Free (Birth - 3 Year)  
 \*\*Nursery and Childcare provided Free (Birth - and up)  
 †For the safety of all FBCQ children we ask that they be picked up by a parent from the Nursery and 'Kid's & Christ' area at the close of the Services.

Sunday School Enrollment	345
Sunday School Attendance	171
Morning Worship (EASTER)	329
No Evening Worship	
2017 Budget Weekly Needs	\$11,453.27
Budget Receipts Designated	\$13,056.00 \$610.00
A.A.E.O. GOAL \$10,800.00	GIFTS to DATE: \$9,030.00
2017 BUDGET NEEDS YTD	\$177,252.32
2017 BUDGET RECEIPTS YTD	\$162,644.37

**COUNTING APRIL**  
 Financial Secretary: Phyllis Hubert  
 Tellers: Tommy Ellinburg, Bobby Vann

## PRAYER CHANGES THINGS

Sons of Jubal and Jubalheirs next scheduled concerts in our area are:  
 Sons of Jubal Concert Thursday, May 11, 7-8:30 p.m.  
 First Baptist Church Tifton  
 Jubalheirs Friday, May 12, 7-8:30 p.m.  
 Morningside Baptist Church Valdosta  
 We have a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center for each of these concerts.  
 Please sign-up if you're interested in riding the bus.  
[gabaptist.org/live](http://gabaptist.org/live)

**CHURCH-WIDE YEAR-LONG MISSION PROJECT**  
**Collecting for SHOEBOX/BACKPACK**  
 Sponsored By Awana  
**APRIL:**

**Small New Toys: Cars, Balls, Small Games, Jump Ropes, Card Games, Jacks, Marbles, Etc.**

**A List of Monthly Items Being Collected May Be Picked Up In The Hallway**

**ADDRESS CHANGE**

Reminder – if your address has changed, or is about to change, **PLEASE** notify us in the Church Office 229-263-7511 or through our website -

[www.fbcquitman.org](http://www.fbcquitman.org) or [www.firstbaptistquitman.com](http://www.firstbaptistquitman.com)

We are charged for each 'address change corrections'.

**Memorials**  
**ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING**  
 For: Mr. Ramsey Renfroe, Jr.  
 By: Mrs. Tootsie Bower

**Honorariums**  
**EASTER CROSS**  
 For: Mrs. Phyllis Hubert  
 Mrs. Cathy Williford  
 By: A Friend

**Spring**  
**Children's Ministry Program**  
**Sunday, April 30th at 6:30 p.m.**



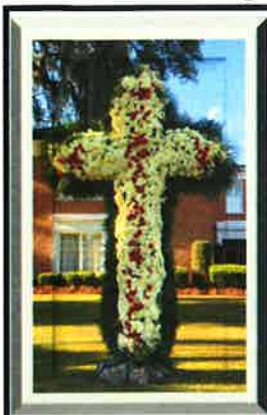
Join us on Quitman's local radio station  
 WEEKDAYS @ 2 p.m.  
**POWER 99.1**  
 South GA'S Home For Music & Ministry  
 First Baptist Church Quitman  
 Pastor Chris Hilliard



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 Sharing Christ...  
 Serving our Community.**



**Breathtakingly Beautiful!!  
 God showed up and showed out with this  
 year's gorgeous Easter Cross!**  
 Thank you so much to those that came to help with the cross this year. The weather was perfect, the workers were plenty and the spirit was awesome. We all know the cross Jesus died on was far from beautiful. We strive to make this cross beautiful simply to stand as a symbol to glorify our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. If you missed out on helping this year we invite you to go ahead and mark your 2018 calendars for the Thursday (March 29th) prior to next Easter Sunday, April 1, 2018.

**Notes!! Notes!! Notes!!**  
 Notes have been received from Mrs. Drucilla Lewis, Miss Joely Peterman and Miss Tristan Peterman. Please stop by the bulletin board next to the church office to see these notes and other information we have received about local mission needs as well as community opportunities.

'The VISITOR', our church's Newsletter, is mailed at lunch on Wednesday. If you do not receive yours by Saturday of each week, please visit or contact our local Quitman Post Office @ 229-263-7280.

Please visit us on the web: [www.fbcquitman.org](http://www.fbcquitman.org) or [www.firstbaptistquitman.com](http://www.firstbaptistquitman.com)

You may also wish to try our official link to view our sermon videos on-line: [www.vimeo.com/fbcquitman](http://www.vimeo.com/fbcquitman)

Copies of our Morning & Evening Worship Services are also available on DVD by contacting the office @ 263-7511.

**Church Nursery Volunteers  
 Scheduled for Today:  
 Babies & 1 Year Old Group**

**Danielle Knight**  
**2 & 3 Year Old Group**  
**Gail Mitchell**

*If You're Feeling Called To Help In The Nursery,  
 Please See Susan York or leave her  
 a message in the Church Office.  
 Help is needed!*

**2017-2018 ENROLLMENT  
 FBC Preschool and Kindergarten**

FBCP&K currently has limited openings! Our school strives to provide a safe, loving, Christian learning environment for children ages 2½Yr. - 5Yr. Kindergarten. If you are interested in enrollment, please leave a message at the school (263-9390). Our Director, Jessica Mitchell, looks forward to having the opportunity to share with you about what all our school has to offer for your child's first years of learning.



**Wednesday  
 FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER**

**Tacos with Fixings  
 Dessert  
 Drink**

Cost: Adults \$5.00  
 6yr. - Youth \$3.00  
 5 & Under N/C  
 Family Max \$20.00  
 Reservations / Cancellations  
**\*MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE  
 WITHOUT NOTICE**

Dear God,  
 Help me to have words that are  
 uplifting and encouraging to others.



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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**APRIL  
 23 - 29**

- 23 Ms. Margaret Bateman  
 Mr. Robert Ingram  
 Lexi Patterson
- 24 Mr. Pete Walker  
 Mrs. Debra Hendrix  
 Alden Hart
- 25 James Stalvey
- 26 Mr. Shane Harris
- 27 Miss Abi Barwick
- 28 Mrs. Julie Wingate  
 Mrs. Dorma Ruth Spiller



**WE WISH HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR  
 CHURCH MEMBERS WITH BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK.**