



The Visitor

Sharing Christ ...

Serving our Community.

Sunday, December 23, 2018

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:45 a.m.

MORNING WORSHIP

Sanctuary

Rev. Steve Shierling

11:00 a.m.

NO PM SERVICE

6:30 p.m.

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Steve Shierling	Pastor
Rev. Nick Hampton	Associate Minister of Youth & Education
Rev. Ben Adkison	Associate Minister of Music and Worship
Cathy Williford	Administrative Assistant
Barbara Williamson	Financial Secretary
Gwen Boutwell	Interim Organist
Debbie Ley	Pianist
Jessica Mitchell	FBCP&K Director
Scott Hockenbury	Facilities Manager



THIS MONTH'S GREETERS/USHERS

Allen & Janet Wheeler

Joe Hendrix
Scott Hockenbury
Barry May
Stacy Williford

SUNDAY SCHOOL HALLWAY GREETER

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Pray for, visit if you can, &/or simply send a note or card to our

SHUT-IN

Mrs. Barbara Strickland
P.O. Box 407
Quitman, GA 31643



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GOD
ROCK
SAVIOR
MESSIAH
IMMANUEL
HOLY • CHILD
MIGHTY • GOD
LORD • OF • ALL
LAMB • OF • GOD
CHRIST • OF • GOD
KING • OF • KINGS
THE • WORD • OF • GOD
ALPHA • AND • OMEGA
PRINCE • OF • PEACE
LIGHT • OF • THE • WORLD
HEAD • OF • THE • CHURCH
SON • OF • THE • HIGHEST
EVERLASTING • FATHER
RESURRECTION • AND • LIFE
JESUS

Merry Christmas!



Sunday, December 30, 2018

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:45 a.m.

MORNING WORSHIP

Sanctuary

Rev. Steve Shierling

11 a.m.

No Family Worship

Monday, December 31, 2018

6 p.m. **YOUTH Ponderosa for BLUE-NOSE EVENT**

Tuesday, January 1, 2019 **HAPPY NEW YEAR**

2 a.m. **YOUTH picked-up at Ponderosa**

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED





Pastor Steve & wife Tami

With Christmas just around the corner and the close of 2018 in sight, I wanted to take a minute to reflect on the blessings of this past year and start gearing up for the ones to come. Quitman FBC has seen a complete changeover in its Ministerial staff and a lot of updates to the building itself. We have added new families to our group and have been blessed by them all.

The attendance to all our services has increased significantly. The excitement that's here each week is electric. You've taken up the challenge to love God with all you have and love others as yourself! This has been noticed and is making a difference!

Our challenge for 2019 will be to not let the enthusiasm die, to let it become contagious not only in our church but throughout our community. God is amongst us and doing great things let's be obedient to His will and see how

far this can spread.

My thought for this year is that I have loved God and you in 2018 may I love you both more in the year to come!

All things in Christ!
Steve Shierling



FOREVER YOUNG

January 3, 2019

11:30 a.m.

Bring A Covered Dish & A Friend. Program: (To Be Announced)



Brotherhood Men's Ministry Meeting

FBCQ Fellowship Hall

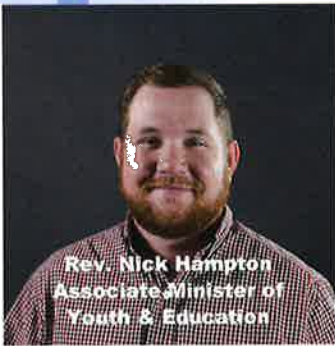
January 14, 2019

7 p.m.

Sign-up at the Welcome Center

youthpastor@firstbaptistquitman.com

YOUTH & EDUCATION MINISTRY:



Rev. Nick Hampton
Associate Minister of
Youth & Education

As 2018 comes to a close I begin to think back over all the amazing things I have seen God do this year. It has been a difficult year, filled with hard changes and many sleepless nights. In the midst of all this I have had the amazing opportunity to be a part of a new church family that has been more than amazing. God has taught me more about grace and love this year than ever before. I am so thankful for this year because it is a beautiful stepping stone into a new year of new opportunities and a fresh perspective. I pray that during the final days of 2018 you too, can look back and thank God for everything He has done and prepare for an amazing new year.

Thank you for the privilege of serving you and I can't wait to see what 2019 holds!

Serving Him,
Pastor Nick



January 27, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Sign-up at the Welcome Center

Ben's Pen!



Rev. Ben Adkison
Associate Minister of
Music & Worship

Christmas is upon us and I am ready! Ready to worship the new born King! Ready to see my family! Ready to EAT! Ready to rest!!!! But I'm really ready to see what God has to say to me during this Christmas season. It is an amazing time of year. We spend a big chunk of the time, going back and forth looking for the right gift, and planning the right 'Get Together'. We want things to be just right for the "holidays". Sometimes, we plan things so well, having things planned down to the nanosecond, that we leave out the very reason for the season, Jesus!

We do like saying Merry Christmas to everyone. I even heard a discussion the other day, about how early is it acceptable to start saying Merry Christmas and how late can you say it I mean, can't I just enjoy the Christmas season without worrying about offending someone? Not according to those "in the know". Wow! I guess we just need to be faithful to the task, the Great Commission, faithful to our calling and love God with all our hearts! At least, that way, we know we are on the right track, with the right message!

Merry Christmas!!!
Bto. Ben

**December 16, 2018
Church Conference Actions:**

- Patrick Stalvey and Janice May coming on Stewardship Committee 2019 **F.Y.I.**
- Members currently on Development Committee will remain active until the Fellowship Hall Renovation Project is completed.



CHURCH-WIDE YEAR-LONG MISSION PROJECT

PRAYERS: Please pray that each child receiving a shoebox/backpack gift hears the Good News about our Lord & Savior and will learn about Him and at the right time, ask Him to come into their heart. Thank you for all you do to help the Gospel reach children and families.

SUNDAY: 12/23/2018

9:00 a.m. Orchestra and Worship Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
9:45 a.m. **Sunday School***
10:45 a.m. Worship Choir (Choir Room)
10:55 a.m. Count Down for Worship
11:00 a.m. **MORNING WORSHIP* WORSHIP CHOIR CHRISTMAS MUSICAL**
NO FAMILY WORSHIP TONIGHT

MONDAY: CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

5:30 p.m. CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE (Sanctuary)

TUESDAY: CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY!

WEDNESDAY:

NO FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER OR REGULAR ACTIVITIES TONIGHT

SUNDAY: 12/30/2018

9:00 a.m. Orchestra and Worship Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
9:45 a.m. **Sunday School***
10:45 a.m. Worship Choir (Choir Room)
10:55 a.m. Count Down for Worship
11:00 a.m. **MORNING WORSHIP***
Children's Church
NO FAMILY WORSHIP TONIGHT

MONDAY:

6:00 p.m. Youth dropped off @ Ponderosa BLUE-NOSE EVENT

TUESDAY: 1/1/2019 HAPPY NEW YEAR / OFFICE CLOSED

2:00 a.m. Youth picked up from Ponderosa

WEDNESDAY:

9:30 a.m. Staff Devotion/Prayer/Calendar Planning
NO FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER OR REGULAR ACTIVITIES TONIGHT

THURSDAY:

11:30 a.m. FOREVER YOUNG MEETING / BRING A COVERED DISH FOR THE LUNCHEON / PROGRAM TO BE ANNOUNCED

SUNDAY: 1/6/2019

9:00 a.m. Orchestra and Worship Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
9:45 a.m. **Sunday School***
10:45 a.m. Worship Choir (Choir Room)
10:55 a.m. Count Down for Worship
11:00 a.m. **MORNING WORSHIP***
Children's Church

MONDAY: F. B. C. P. & K. & Brooks County Schools Resume

WEDNESDAY:

9:15 a.m. Staff Devotion/Prayer/Calendar Planning
10:00 a.m. Broadcast Morning Worship on Quitman Cable Channel 6
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper
6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting / Adult Bible Study (Chapel)
Youth
Children's Activities (Children's Choir & Performing Arts)

FRIDAY: 1/11/19 F. B. C. P. & K. Toy Day

**Nursery Provided Free (Birth - 3 Year)*

Sunday School Enrollment	310
Sunday School	177
Morning Worship (Total Includes Below)	215
Nursery	11
Children's Church	17
Family Night Worship (Total Includes Below)	71
Nursery	3
Children	
Youth	28
2018 Budget Weekly Needs	\$11,257.00
2019 Budget Weekly Needs	\$11,575.18
Budget	\$13,807.00
Development	\$1,855.00
Designated	\$40.00
LMCO	\$1,140.00
2018 Budget Needs	\$585,368.00
2018 Budget Receipts YTD	\$508,120.29
2019 Budget Needs	\$601,909.00

COUNTING DECEMBER

Financial Secretary: Gloria Vann
Tellers: Buford Smith Allen Wheeler

COUNTING JANUARY

Financial Secretary: Julee Ansbaugh
Tellers: Barry May Andy Swann

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering F.B.C.Q. 2018 GOAL: \$18,900.00

OUR GIFTS TO DATE: \$3,970.00 CURRENT OUTSTANDING NEEDS: \$14,930.00

Memorials

Honorariums

DEVELOPMENT FUND

For: Paula Harrison
By: Leslie & Aziz Dahon
For: Gussie Ethridge
By: Tommy & Claire Wheeler

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

For: Allen Denton
Linda Hockenbury
Doyle Ballard
Royce Newell
Paula Harrison
Gussie Ethridge
By: Friends
For: Doyle Ballard
Royce Newell
Paula Harrison
Gussie Ethridge
Carolyn Bass
Kim Kelly
Skyler Crosby
By: Tootsie Bower
For: Jesse & Zadi Hampton
Bill & Doss Heard
By: Sibby & Render Heard

MISSION

For: Gussie Ethridge
By: Irma & Randy Hall

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

For: A.J. Powell
By: Susan & Eddie York
For: Hilman & Louise Walden
By: Betty Belcher
For: JOY S. S. Class
By: Dianne Hamlin

GA. BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

For: Pam Dillon
By: King's Daughters S. S. Class
BUDGET
For: Ola & Curtis Pickels
By: Their S. S. Class

L.M.C.O. Post Office

is Open, however, will close

December 30, 2018.

(Stop by and check the L.M.C.O. Post Office Box)



Christmas Dinner

Please don't let anyone you know eat alone on Christmas day. If someone you know will not have family around or they're just usually always alone and you think they would like to be surrounded by Christian fellowship, invite them to join us in the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall for Christmas Lunch on Tuesday, December 25. Serving line opens at 12 noon and closes at 1 p.m.

In order for us to adequately plan, reservations must be made by Friday, December 21, before 4 p.m. To make a reservation; please stop by the church office 509 West Screven St., or simply call us at 229-263-7511.

Come let's celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Anyone that would like to help by providing food, funds to purchase food, or help with serving, please, contact Debbie Ives or call the church office and leave a message for Debbie.

Thank you for your assistance in helping meet this need as we strive to be the 'hands and feet of Jesus' here in Quitman.

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'" - Matthew 25:40



Special Thanks To Our Church Family

We appreciate the monetary Christmas gift given to us from the church

We also thank the many church families for the cards and gifts you've blessed us with this year.

We pray God's blessings over each of you as well as your families during this Holy time.

Your Church Staff



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 Quitman, GA 31643
 Phone: 229-263-7511

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First Baptist Church Motto:
Sharing Christ...
Serving our Community.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS SCHEDULED FOR:

12/23/2018	12/30/2018	1/6/2019
Lisha Barwick Tanja Dukes Penny Lawson	Danielle Knight April Smith Fran Wisenbaker	Marcia Baker Melissa Stalvey Fran Wisenbaker

IF YOU'RE NOT PICKING UP OR DROPPING-OFF A CHILD IN THE NURSERY, PLEASE WAIT IN THE MAIN HALLWAY. OUR NURSERY HALL IS VERY SMALL AND BECOMES CONGESTED WHEN ADDITIONAL PEOPLE COME IN.


WEDNESDAY
FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER

No Family Night Supper until January 9th




Cost: Adults \$5.00
 6yr. - Youth \$3.00
 5 & Under N/C
 Family Max \$20.00
 Reservations / Cancellations Are Needed By Tuesday Noon

'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 or www.firstbaptistquitman.com You may also wish to try our official link to view our sermon videos on-line: www.vimeo.com/fbcquitman Copies of our Morning Worship Services are also available on DVD by contacting the office @ 263-7511.





The arrangement in the Sanctuary on December 23, is given by Charles & Debbie Ives in Loving Memory of their parents, Geraldine & Douglas Ives and Mary & Leon Long.

The 2019 Flower Calendar is located in the hallway, next to the Nursery. Check there to sign-up for any open dates for a Sunday you wish to provide an arrangement in the sanctuary. To avoid confusion, if you have a 'permanent date' that you provide flowers, please check today to confirm we have you as close to your desired date as possible. If you have any questions please contact Phyllis Hubert, Our Church Flower Coordinator or you may leave her a message at the church office.



Cards have been received from the Families of Mr. Doyle Ballard and Mr. Mark Renfro. All cards received for the church family are displayed on the bulletin board next to the church office. Please remember to visit the display to see them as well as keep up with any other information we've received about local mission needs and / or community opportunities.

Birthdates
 12/23/2018 - 1/12/2019

12/23/2018 - 12/31/2018	1/1/2019 - 1/12/2019
23 Mrs. Jocelyn Arrendale William Wood	2 Mrs. Becky Wilkes Mrs. Heather Tucker-Rogers
24 Mr. Claude Butler Mrs. Marcia Baker	3 Ms. Landrey Boutwell Mr. Devarne Hurst
25 Mrs. Lezlie Marasco Mrs. Amanda Spell-Miley	4 Miss Divya Patel Mrs. Rachel Hampton
26 Mr. Billy Swann Ms. Mary (Beth) Alvarado	5 Mr. James Bradford Miss Sydni Barwick
27 Ms. Sandy Luong Mr. Glenn Adkins	6 Mrs. Lucile Sapp Mr. Andy Swann
28 Mrs. Tiffany Carroll Mrs. Virginia Monteith	7 Mr. Eric Hiers Mrs. Sara Carr
29 Mr. Dudley Taylor Mr. George Yeomans	8 Mr. Casey White Mr. Steven Trest
30 Mrs. Dana York Mr. Brandon Mitchell	9 Mr. Drew Lawson Mr. Billy Ley
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WE WISH HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR CHURCH MEMBERS WITH BIRTHDAYS. If we have incorrect information, incorrect date or you've joined fellowship with another church and are no longer a member of FBCQ please let us know so that we may update our records.