



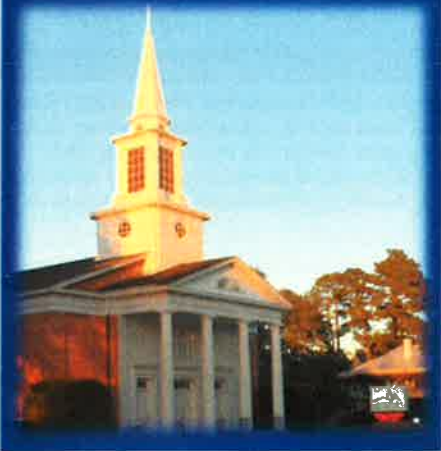
*The Visitor*  
Sharing Christ ...

Serving our Community.

# Merry Christmas

**CHURCH STAFF**

Rev. Steve Shierling	Lead Pastor
Cathy Williford	Minister of Music
Barbara Williamson	Youth Pastor
Gwen Boutwell	& Acting Church Administrator
Debbie Ley	Administrative Assistant
Jessica Mitchell	Financial Secretary
Scott Hockenbury	Interim Organist
	Pianist
	FBCP&K Director
	Facilities Manager



**DECEMBER  
GREETERS/USHERS**  
Glenn & Dorma Spiller

Bill Ansbaugh  
Scott Hockenbury  
Floyd Pyle  
John Stalvey

**SUNDAY SCHOOL  
HALLWAY GREETER**

December:  
Myrt Ives

January:  
Wayne Chism

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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



# and

# Happy New Year

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

Mrs. Dolly Hines  
1650 Phillips Rd.  
Tallahassee, FL 32308

**Please pick up your mail from  
LMCO Post Office before Dec. 31st  
(Cards will not be mailed)**

**This VISITOR is the last one  
being printed for 2017.  
It includes this Sunday,  
December 24, as well as,  
December 31 and January 7.**

**2018 Offering Envelopes are ready  
to be picked up in the back hallway.**



**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 and  
your families during this Holy time.**

**Your Church Staff**

## FBCQ embroidered Logo Shirts

Polo-type SHIRTS with the CHURCH LOGO embroidered are available for you to pre-order.  
Sample on Bulletin Board near the Welcome Center

To be included in the next order Cathy will need the color, size and payment for your shirt(s)  
prior to JANUARY 8, 2018 at 5 p.m.

### YOUTH:

229-263-3234



**Youth Minister  
Steve & wife Tami**

Christmas is upon us and this year is coming to a close. God has definitely brought a few changes our way in 2017! These changes were for our growth in faith and not to our harm. We have been blessed with participation from so many members of our congregation. Stepping up to do whatever needs to be done; from clean up after hurricane Irma, feeding first responders, calling to check on our members during the storm, the Fall Festival, benevolent assistance to those in need, providing food to families in mourning and to top it all off you're now providing lunch and fellowship on Christmas day so no one will have to spend Christmas day alone.

If we all get behind this type of dedication to show the love Christ to each other and our community there's no limit on what God can do through us in 2018!

All things in Christ!  
Steve Shierling

**FOREVER YOUNG: Bring a covered dish and invite someone to join us**

**Thursday, January 4, at 11:30 a.m. Program Guest: Mrs. Elizabeth Hollingsworth**

The arrangement in the Sanctuary on Sunday,  
December 24, is given in Loving Memory  
of Mr. George Hubert by his family.

The arrangement in the Sanctuary on Sunday,  
January 7, will be provided in Loving Honor  
of Mrs. Sara Carr's 90th Birthday (1/9)



IN MEMORIAM  
*Mrs. Edna Hagan*

9/2/1922 - 12/13/2017

*"I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in Me,  
though he were dead, yet shall he live." John 11:25*

### *Christian Sympathy*

We express our Christian Sympathy to  
the Hagan, Stalvey & Storey families  
in the loss of Mrs. Edna Hagan.



### 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 Monday, 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 22, before 4 p.m.**

**To make a reservation; please stop by the church office  
509 West Screven St. Quitman, GA  
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, contact  
Debbie Ives or the church office and leave a message.**

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

*"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*

**SUNDAY: 12/24/17**

9:00 a.m. Orchestra and Worship Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
9:30 a.m. Worship Choir (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\* (Sanctuary)  
Children's Church

5:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Communion Service (Sanctuary)

**MONDAY - TUESDAY: CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED**

**MONDAY: MERRY CHRISTMAS**

12 - 1 Christmas Lunch Served (Reservations Required)

**WEDNESDAY: 12/27 NO SUPPER & NO ACTIVITIES AT THE CHURCH**

**SUNDAY: 12/31**

9:00 a.m. Orchestra and Worship Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
9:30 a.m. Worship Choir (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\* (Sanctuary)  
Children's Church

No PM Activities at the church

2 p.m. - 2 a.m. YOUTH BLUE-NOSE EVENT (Meet at the Ponderosa)  
(REMINDER: must have parents permission to 'jump in the pool' at midnight)

**MONDAY: 1/1/18 HAPPY NEW YEAR - CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED**

**WEDNESDAY: 1/3 NO SUPPER & NO ACTIVITIES AT THE CHURCH**

**THURSDAY: 1/4**

11:30 a.m. FOREVER YOUNG Meeting/Covered Dish Lunch/Program

**SUNDAY: 1/7**

9:00 a.m. Orchestra and Worship Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
9:30 a.m. Worship Choir (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\* (Sanctuary)  
Children's Church

6:30 p.m. EVENING WORSHIP\* (Chapel)

**MONDAY: 1/8 FBCP&K Classes Resume**

**WEDNESDAY:**

9:15 a.m. Staff Prayer & Planning Meeting  
10:00 a.m. Broadcast Morning Worship on Quitman Cable Channel 6  
10:30 a.m. FBCP&K Chapel Time  
5:30 p.m. Family Night Supper  
5:30 p.m. Youth Activities / Supper / Bible Study & Fellowship  
6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting / Adult Bible Study (Chapel)  
6:45 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

\*Nursery Provided Free (Birth - 3 Year)

+For the safety of all FBCQ children we ask that they be picked up by a parent from the Nursery and 'Kid's 4 Christ' area at the close of the Services.

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

**KIDS 4 CHRIST**

As we close out another year of kid's activities, all the children's workers want to say thank you for your support of the children's ministry. December has been filled with fun and worship. The musical performance of "Dude, You Hear What I Hear" was amazing and our only regret is that we only had one performance. We had a great time at The Parent's Night out event, watching a Christmas movie, doing arts and crafts, and ordering food from McDonalds. The RA, GA and Mission Friends party was Sunday night and receiving gifts through fun games was so much fun. First Baptist was well represented in the City Christmas parade with a traditional nativity scene float. Christmas caroling night was Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>. The youth and others joined in the fun of sharing Christmas through song. We will also have a special time in children's church on Christmas eve morning, so let's finish out the year worshipping together. We pray everyone has a very Merry Christmas and welcomes in the new year with a renewed spirit, to worship Jesus faithfully and be willing to serve through First Baptist Church.

Sunday School Enrollment	313
Sunday School Attendance	144
Morning Worship	141
Evening Worship	40
2017 Budget Weekly Needs	\$11,510.97
Budget Receipts	\$13,099.34
Designated	\$1,055.00
LMCO	\$9,994.56
TOTAL 2017 BUDGET NEEDS	\$598,570.00
2017 BUDGET RECEIPTS YTD	\$514,608.19

**COUNTING DECEMBER**

Financial Secretary: Brenda Renfroe  
Tellers: Buford Smith Patrick Stalvey

**COUNTING JANUARY**

Financial Secretary: Mark DeVane  
Tellers: Charlie Dukes Bobby Vann

**LMCO 2017**

**Our Goal: \$18,900.00**  
**Our Gifts To Date: \$11,408.56**  
**Gifts Needed: \$7,491.44**

**Memorials**

**BUDGET**

For: Mrs. Mary Powell  
By: Roy & Dollie Wicker  
For: Gary Swann  
Clyde Barnes  
By: John & Jill Walker

**LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING**

For: Jesse & Zadi Hampton  
Bill & Doss Heard  
By: Sibby & Render Heard  
For: Mrs. Mary Powell  
Mrs. Edna Hagan  
Mr. Billy Drew  
By: Randy & Irma Hall  
For: Mrs. Edna Hagan  
By: Mrs. Ada Dodd  
Curtis & Ola Pickels  
Charles & Debbie Ives  
For: Mrs. Mary Powell  
By: Bonnell Holmes  
Charles & Debbie Ives  
Joe & Jan Johnson  
Curtis & Ola Pickels  
John & Patsy Stalvey  
Steven Smith  
For: Gary Swann  
Clyde Barnes  
By: Joe & Jan Johnson

**GEORGIA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES**

For: Mrs. Mary Powell  
By: Henry & Sandra Wortman  
Lois & Thomas Barrs & Betty Medina  
Chester & Beth Dubberley & Family  
Rep. Robert & Cynde Dickey  
Tim & Ellen Golden  
Powell & Erwin, PC

**IN HONOR**

**LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING**

For: Mrs. Dianne Hamlin  
By: JOY Sunday School Class



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

**WEDNESDAY MENUS**  
**DECEMBER 27**  
**NO FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER**  
**JANUARY 3**  
**NO FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER**  
**JANUARY 10 REGULAR ACTIVITIES RESUME**  
**MENU TO BE ANNOUNCED**

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

**CARDS**  
The Church staff has received many Christmas Cards. Please stop by the bulletin board next to the church office to see these, as well as, any other information about local mission needs and community opportunities.

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**  
Pray each week for members known to have recently been Hospitalized:  
  
Mary Lee Price  
*\*Discharged*

**'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 Worship Services are also available on DVD by contacting the office @ 263-7511.



**NURSERY VOLUNTEERS  
Scheduled**

**December 24**  
  
Irma Hall  
Fran Wisenbaker  
Janice May

**December 31**  
  
Melissa Stalvey  
Tanja Dukes

**January 7**  
  
Marcia Baker  
Cindy Walker  
Wendy Graham

*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!*

**DECEMBER 24 - JANUARY 13**

24	Mr. Claude Butler	2	Ms. Becky Wilkes
	Mrs. Marcia Baker		Miss Heather Tucker
	Miss Amanda Spell		Ms. Landrey Boutwell
25	Mrs. Wanda Mobley	3	Mr. Devarne Hurst, Jr.
26	Mr. Billy Swann	4	Miss Divya Patel
	Ms. Mary Alvarado	6	Mr. James Bradford
	Mrs. Sandy Jones		Miss Sydni Barwick
27	Mr. Glenn Adkins	7	Mrs. Lucile Sapp
	Ms. Tiffany Holmes		Mr. Andy Swann
28	Mrs. Ginny Monteith		Mr. Eric Hiers
29	Mr. Dudley Taylor	8	Mr. Bobby Collins
31	Mr. George Yeomans	9	Mrs. Sara Carr
	Ms. Dana York		Ms. Stephanie Collins
	Mr. Brandon Mitchell		Mr. Casey White
			Mr. Steven Trest
		11	Mr. Drew Lawson
		12	Mr. Billy Ley

**WE WISH HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR CHURCH MEMBERS WITH BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK.**  
If we have incorrect information, please let us know.