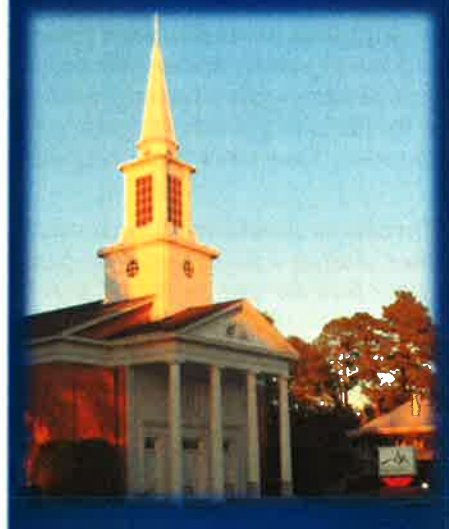




The Visitor
Sharing Christ ...
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CHURCH STAFF

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



GREETERS/USHERS
Glenn & Dorma Spiller

Bill Ansbaugh
Scott Hockenbury
Floyd Pyle
John Stalvey

SUNDAY SCHOOL
HALLWAY GREETER
Myrt Ives

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

Mrs. Gussie Ethridge
P.O. Box 407
Quitman, GA 31643



**JESUS is the Reason
 for the Season!**

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship - Rev. Steve Shierling

Called Church Conference

Purpose: Vote on Proposed 2018 Budget

(Available in Church Office)

Sunday

Escape the Coming Night

By Dr. David Jeremiah

"Hell on Earth" Part 1

6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

"Hell on Earth" Part 2

6:30 p.m.

**Audio Study / Chapel*

FOREVER YOUNG TRIP
Thursday, December 7th
Spirit of the Suwannee Christmas Lights, Live Oak, FL
 (You don't have to be a member of the Forever Young Group)
 We will leave FBCQ Parking Lot at 4:00 p.m.
 Admission to the Park is being covered.
 You will need to bring money for supper (Fast-food).



International Missions Program
Friday, December 8, at 3:00 p.m.
at the home of Mrs. Louise Walden
with Mrs. Linda Rudisill bringing the message.

All ladies are invited to attend.

YOUTH:

229-263-3234

steve@bemiss.com



Last week, while I was in Florida, I had to stop at a dollar store to buy some supplies. A man, who arrived at the store driving a motorcycle, checked out right before me and he was still in the parking lot when I exited the building. Two other men had just pulled up on motor-cycles and were about to enter the building. They stopped to talk with the man like they were long-lost brothers; even though I don't think they actually knew each other. They shook hands, talked about riding motorcycles and treated each other like they were the best of friends! Their treatment of each other almost convinced me that I needed a motorcycle except for one thing; when I walked by them to get into my wife's car, and said my normal greeting, they didn't even acknowledge my existence. They were too wrapped up in each other to even notice me walking by.

Now anyone that knows me or has sat under my teachings, knows that I believe that Christians should treat each other like family. Jesus tells us in John 13: 34-35. *"I give you a new command: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you must also love one another. By this all people will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."* But I don't think that we should make it look like some exclusive club, click or cult. I am convinced that our love for each other will be the draw that will bring many to Christ. We must let them know that it's there for them as well. We can't exclude them from our conversations, we need to invite them in. So, let's love each other with a Christ-like love and be ready to explain to the outsider the reason for the joy that lies within!

All things in Christ!
 Steve Shierling

MUSIC:

Do you enjoy singing? Do you play an instrument?
If you answered yes to either one of these questions we would love for you
join us for Orchestra Rehearsal and / or Worship Choir Rehearsal.

***"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth:
 make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise."
 Psalm 98:4***



PRAYER LIST - If you have given a name for our Wednesday Night Prayer List and you can give us an update or know of a name that should be removed
 PLEASE call the church office (229-263-7511).

HELP IS NEEDED
 IF YOU TURN ON AC/HEAT IN AN AREA - OR IF YOU'RE LAST TO LEAVE AN AREA PLEASE - PLEASE - HELP US BE GOOD STEWARDS BY MAKING SURE THAT ALL LIGHTS & AC/HEAT HAVE BEEN TURNED OFF WHEN YOU LEAVE.
 ALSO, FOR SAFETY REASONS, WHEN LAST TO LEAVE AN AREA/ROOM, PLEASE LOCK & SECURELY CLOSE DOORS!!

SUNDAY:

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. YOUTH
 6:30 p.m. Children's Craft Night
 6:30 p.m. EVENING WORSHIP* (Sanctuary)

TUESDAY:

7:00 p.m. Mercer Baptist Association's Men's Ministry Meeting / Meal (Morven Baptist Church)

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
 Children's Supper / Choir & Performing Arts+
 Adult Bible Study (Chapel)
 6:30 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal
 6:45 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY:

4:00 p.m. Spirit of the Suwannee Christmas Lights, Live Oak, FL (Bring money for Fast-food Meal)

FRIDAY:

3:00 p.m. International Missions Prayer Program (Louise Walden's home)

SATURDAY:

9:00-11:30 a.m. Children's Christmas Program Practice (Sanctuary)
 11:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Children's Christmas Party Jungle Jyms (No Money Required - Must Wear or Bring Socks)

*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.

Please let the Church Office know of any Christmas celebrations your S. S. Class/Dept./or Group has planned, even if not being held at the church. Thanks for helping us help others with their family's holiday calendar planning.

To Whomever 'Borrowed' the CD Player from the Nursery, our little children are really sad that they don't get to listen to all of the music that goes along with our Sunday School lesson.

Please return it so that they will have happy smiles again.

Thank You!



PROPOSED 2018 BUDGET

The Stewardship Committee has completed work on the proposed 2018 Budget. Members are encouraged to secure a copy from the church office and study the proposal. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact any member of the Stewardship Committee listed below.

This Sunday, December 3rd, at the conclusion of the morning worship hour a called conference will be held to vote on the proposed budget.

Thank you,

Kasey Knight, Chrm.
 Tommy Ellinburg
 Sibby Heard

Nancy Romine
 Wesley Ross
 Tommy Waldron

Sunday School Enrollment	318
Sunday School Attendance	117
Morning Worship	149
Evening Worship	28
2017 Budget Weekly Needs	\$11,510.97
Budget Receipts	\$12,810.00
Development	\$1,000.00
2017 BUDGET NEEDS YTD	\$598,570.00
2017 BUDGET RECEIPTS YTD	\$483,479.95

COUNTING THIS MONTH

Financial Secretary: Brenda Renfro
 Tellers: Buford Smith Patrick Stalvey



2017 LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Your Gift Transforms Lives

Our Goal: \$18,900.00

**The Week of Prayer for International Missions
 December 3 - 9**

Kids 4 Christ December Schedule

- December 3rd, at 6:30 till 7:30 - craft night
- December 6th Wednesday night - 5:30 till 7:30 - Children Choir/Play practice
- December 9th, Saturday morning, 9:00 am till 11:30- Play Practice in the sanctuary.
- December 9th, Saturday after Play practice- Kids to Valdosta for Christmas Party- CICI's Pizza and Jungle Jyms. (no money required) wear or bring socks. We plan to return at 5:30pm
- December 10th, Sunday - 9:45am - during Sunday School we will practice areas in the play we need to work on.
- December 10th Sunday, 5:00pm- last minute practice and getting dressed into costumes.
- December 10th Sunday - 6:30pm Christmas Play with fellowship afterwards.
- December 13th Wednesday, - 5:30pm we will go caroling and return to the church at 7:00 to eat.
- December 14th Thursday, - 6:00pm till 10:00- parents night out
- December 17th Sunday - 6:30pm till 7:30- Kids Department party
- December 20th Wednesday - Be a Blessing night
- December 24th Sunday, - Christmas Eve Candlelight service
- December 27th Wednesday- no services

Dear Parents,

The next few practices are very important. Please make sure your child is listening to their program CD's. For the program the attire for each one will be different. If your child has a speaking/character part, we will be getting in touch with you about their costume.

Other who will be the children on the field trip, will wear jeans and we will have a Kids 4 Christ t-shirts for them to wear. They may also wear a hat like a santa hat or beanie if they would like to. Please wear tennis shoes or shoes with soft /rubber soles. This will cut down on the noise from moving around the stage. Thank you all so much for getting your children to practice on Wednesdays and helping them learn their parts. We look forward to the performance and giving God the Glory for each of them as they share Jesus with others.

Any questions please call Carol Jones, or Barbara Waldron.

Carol-305-7576 Barbara - 292-3693



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ADDRESS CHANGE

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

www.fbcquitman.org or
www.firstbaptistquitman.com

Christian Sympathy

We express our Christian Sympathy to the family of Mrs. Betty Smith, wife of former FBC Pastor, William J. "Bill" Smith.

The arrangement in the Sanctuary today is provided by Mrs. Margaret Bateman In Loving Memory of her husband, Mr. David Bateman and their son, David Mikel Bateman.



REMEMBER IN PRAYER
 Pray each week for members known to have recently been Hospitalized:

Mary Powell
 *Jacklyn Radney
 *Donna Renfroe

**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 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.

**WEDNESDAY
 FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER**

**BREAKFAST
 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**

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

**Church Nursery Volunteers
 Scheduled for this Week:**

**Marcia Baker
 Cindy Walker
 Jocelyn Arrendale**

*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!*

REMINDER:
 The Deadline for turning in any information for the VISITOR/ NEWSLETTER is 5 p.m. each Friday. Anything not turned in by the 5 p.m. deadline on Friday will not be included until the following week.



DECEMBER 3-9

- 4 Mrs. Delores Shepard
- Dr. Ricky Rowe
- Mr. Dustin Carney
- 7 Mrs. Leslie Williams
- 8 Mrs. Terri DeCarlo
- Mr. Buford Smith
- Mrs. Logan Marshall-Erikson

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