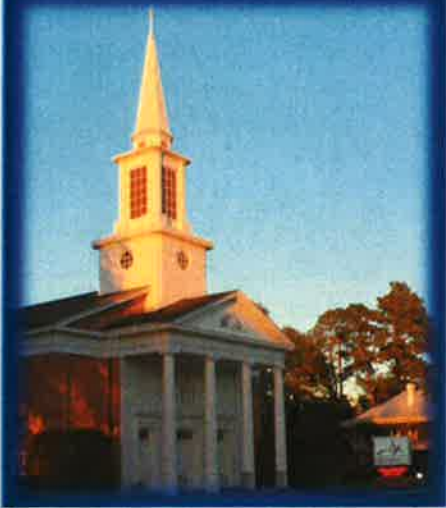




CHURCH STAFF

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



GREETERS/USHERS

Charlie & Sandra Ramsey

**Scott Boutwell
Jamie Icard
Randy Edmondson
Bobby Vann**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL
HALLWAY GREETER
Wayne Chism**

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

**Mr. Billy Swann
289 Dewberry Rd.
Quitman, GA 31643**

The Visitor
Sharing Christ ...

Serving our Community.

**We're Looking Forward
to Seeing You in**



**Sunday
School**

@ 9:45 a.m.

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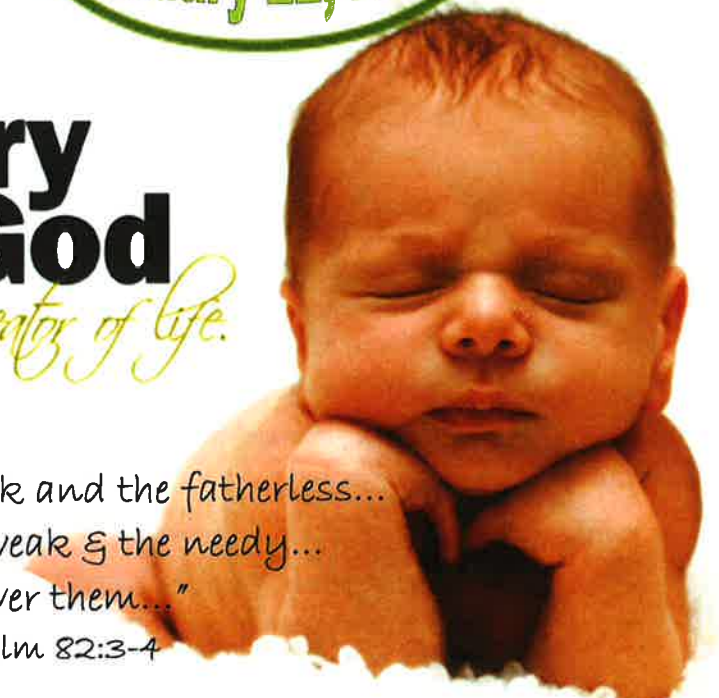
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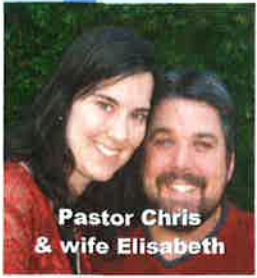
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**Glory
to God**

The Creator of Life.

"Defend the weak and the fatherless...
Rescue the weak & the needy...
Deliver them..."
Psalm 82:3-4





Pastor Chris & wife Elisabeth

Even though I'm expecting to be at home by the time you're reading this we are running it in the Newsletter for those that didn't receive my email and/or are not on Facebook:

The clock says 10:55 p.m. on January 12th. I've just finished some Hebrew homework and I'm heading to bed to get a few winks before the alarm goes off at 5 a.m. I thought I'd reconnect with the "real" world and send a note to say, "Yes, I am still alive." The past two weeks have been a blur and feel like one long day. I told my professor one morning as I entered class that this J-term class felt like the movie Ground Hog Day. The same thing over and over and over. I purposefully disconnected myself from as much as possible to focus on school. So, I do feel out "out-of-the-loop". This class has been intense and truthfully, difficult. I know many are wondering, "How's it going?" So, here is a quick synopsis. I have three class days left, two quizzes, two homework assignments, and a final exam. I am passing and doing fine. Just like Greek, Hebrew is a tough class. And, to cram it into two and a half weeks is even tougher. Not to mention that even when I pass this class I still have more to go. I will be taking Hebrew 2 online this Spring.

So, by May I'll be done with languages and can pick up the pace to finish school. I wanted to take more classes this Spring but the demand that Hebrew requires is just too all-encompassing to try and do another class as well. After this semester, I intend to take more at a time. I will only have 6 or 7 classes left. So, I could (conceivably) finish in 2018. Here's hoping.

"What have you learned?" Thanks for asking. Well, I'm no Hebrew expert and never will be. To be honest, I'm just trying to survive. There is so much info I can't remember or process yet and that makes exams tough. (I'm getting too old for this.) But, I have gained a greater love and appreciation for God's word, His sovereignty, and the importance of "rightly dividing the word of truth" through deeper study of the Scriptures. I hope to return ready to preach again and minister again to the flock and field God's called me to. Every prayer has been and is appreciated. Your patience and support is appreciated as well.

So, off to bed I go. Six hours sleep ought to do me good. It's more than I've been getting! Keep faithful to the One who is forever faithful to us.

Godspeed,
Pastor Chris

Pray for FBCQ's Peru Mission Team as they are completing this trip's mission and are scheduled to return 1/22

steve@bemiss.com

YOUTH NEWS:



Youth Minister Steve & wife Tami

Well I've made it through our annual "Blue Nose" event, survived and thrived through three days of "PASSION"! Now the next three weekends I will be at camp Tygart as several of our students are going to "Chrysalis" for a weekend spiritual retreat! It is the sole purpose of these weekends to draw our students into a deeper understanding and relationship with Jesus!

This year Kyle Lawson, Joely Peterman, Drew Jones, Logan Smith, Jacob Dukes, Jacob Layton, Daniel Warren, Tami and I will be attending and serving on different weekends! Please be in prayer for us all as we strive to draw closer to our Lord and Savior!

All things in Christ!
Steve Shierling



Flight For Girls Jan. 12-15
Journey For Girls Jan. 19-22
Flight For Boys Jan. 26-29
Journey For Boys Feb. 2-5
...empowering leaders to be the hands and feet of Christ.

WORSHIP MATTERS:

fbqworship@hotmail.com



Minister of Music John & wife Jeanette

Sing God's Word

Music helps us remember truth about God.

God Himself used music as a means to help people remember His Word. We remember what we sing, and nothing is more important to remember than God's Word. Music produced feelings will fade, but God's living and active Word will continue working in our hearts, renewing our minds, and strengthening our faith.

I look forward to seeing you soon,
John

"Now write down the words of this song, and teach it to the people of Israel. Teach them to sing it, so it may serve as a witness against them." Deuteronomy 3:19



Peru Mission Team Returns Today (1/22)

SUNDAY: January is Sanctity of Life Month
 9:00 a.m. Hospital Visitation
 9:00 a.m. Worship Choir Rehearsal
 9:15 a.m. Prayer Time in Pastor's Study/Office
 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. Bible Drill & Awana "Scavenger Hunt NIGHT"
 5:30 p.m. Youth Ownership
 6:30 p.m. EVENING WORSHIP* (Sanctuary) Rev. Chris Hilliard
WEDNESDAY:
 6:30 a.m. FCA Bible Study @ Brooks Cty High School
 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)
 6:30 p.m. Pastor's Adult Bible Study**+ (Chapel)
 6:45 p.m. FBC Orchestra Rehearsal**+ (Sanctuary)
 7:30 p.m. FBC Worship Choir Rehearsal**+
 7:30 p.m. History Committee Meeting with Pastor Chris
THURSDAY:
 (Time TBA) Boy's Flight Camp (January 26-29)
 6:30 p.m. Tax Seminar Light Meal & Learn at Northside Baptist Church
 Sponsored by the Mercer Baptist Association



"God made each one special"

*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 4 Christ' area at the close of the Services.

Sunday School Enrollment	356
Sunday School Attendance	165
Morning Worship	172
Evening Worship	95
Awana (28)	
Bible Drill (15)	
Youth Worship "Ownership"(11)	

2017 Budget Weekly Needs	\$11,453.27
Budget Receipts	\$5,149.00
2017 BUDGET NEEDS YTD	\$34,359.81
2017 BUDGET RECEIPTS YTD	\$19,135.74

COUNTING JANUARY
 Financial Secretary: Patrick Stalvey
 Tellers: Charlie Dukes Bobby Vann

For Your Calendar:

FEBRUARY
 5th Game Day Sunday speaker: Jason Bernick
 12th WMU Emphasis Sunday
 13th Community Unity Service @ Presby. Ch.
 18th, 10 a.m. WMU Brunch @ Evergreen Bap. Ch.
 21st, 7-8 p.m. Discipleship Training Meet. @ NSBC

MARCH
 11th GRAND PRIX, Fellowship Hall
 19th-22nd Homecoming & Revival with Evangelist Steve Hale

APRIL
 10th -14th Holy week
 15th Tentative Date for FBC Egg Hunt
 16th Easter Sunday
 The Big Invite to fill the church.
 25th, 7 p.m. Community-wide Choral Festival

HISTORY
Committee Meeting
Wednesday, January 25th
7:30 p.m.

Thank you to these currently serving on the History Committee:
 Gail Mitchell, Chairperson
 Myrtice Ives
 Larry Cunningham
 Walter Romine

Shoebox & Backpack
Collection Monthly Schedule
 (Remember to always Check-out the Clearance Items)

We will be collecting for BOTH ministries this year simultaneously. If you would like to make a contribution for a past month, please feel free to do so. We will gladly sort items as needed. (Backpack ages: 3-5, 6-9, 10-14) (Shoebox ages: 2-4, 5-9, 10-14)

January-Both-Gloves/Mittens, Hats, Socks (Think warm!)

Backpacks-Small Blankets

February-BOTH-Baggies-We will need LOTS of baggies!! Freezer-Quart Size for Soap and Regular-Quart Size for Misc. Items. Bandanas-We use these to line shoeboxes and include them in backpacks.

March-BOTH-Body Hygiene: Soap (Bar Only), Washcloths, Comb, Brushes

Backpacks Only-Deodorant, Shampoo, Conditioner, Lotion, Hand/Baby Wipes, Sanitizer

April-BOTH-Small Toys (New ONLY): Cars, Balls (small or deflated w/pump), Small Games, Jump Ropes, Cards, Jacks, Marbles, Etc.

May-BOTH-Accessories: Hair Accessories, Fashion Jewelry, Sunglasses, T-shirts, Socks, Hats, Underwear, Shoes

June-BOTH-School Supplies (Paper Items): Notebooks, Pads, Tablets, Coloring Books, Stickers, Activity Books

July-BOTH-Dental Hygiene: Toothbrushes, Floss, Holders/Cases

Backpacks Only-Toothpaste

August-School Supplies: Crayons, Pencils w/Sharpeners, Pens, Color Pencils, Markers, Holders/Cases, Scissors, Rulers

September-BOTH-Miscellaneous Items: Small Flash Light w/Batteries, Tape Measure, Misc. Kits (Sewing, Fishing, Tool, Craft, Etc.), Twine, Cording. Use your imagination!!

Backpacks Only-Candy (no chocolate) Small Pop-top Canned Food (Tuna, Ravioli, Soup, Stew, Fruit), Snack Bars

October-Shoebox-Plastic Shoebox. Each shoebox costs \$7 to ship, donations are welcome and appreciated.

Backpacks-Backpacks, Bible

Join us in making a child's Christmas special!



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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

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

If you wish to provide an arrangement for the sanctuary anytime during 2017 please choose an available "Sunday's" date on the Flower Calendar located beside the nursery.



If you normally provide flowers 'annually' for an occasion (ex. In Memory or In Honor), an attempt has been made to reserve 'your annual date'. To avoid confusion, please check to make sure your date(s), or the Sunday as close as possible to the date of your special occasion, has been properly reserved.

Thanks,
 Phyllis Hubert, Church Decoration Committee

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 or www.firstbaptistquitman.com

The Post Office charges FBCQ for all 'address change corrections'.

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

REMEMBER IN PRAYER
 Remember to pray each week for members known to have recently been Hospitalized or to have had recent outpatient procedures:

Jim McDaniel
Lucile Sapp

**Discharged*

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THESE
 CHURCH MEMBERS**



**JANUARY
 1/22 - 1/28**

- 22 Mrs. Lavenia Kees
Mrs. Judy Williams
- 23 Mrs. Jordan DeVane
Mrs. Marsha Rowe
Mason Rogers
- 26 Mr. Ron Poor
Mr. Tommy Roberts
- 27 Mrs. Jacque Overfelt
- 28 Mr. Calvin Spivey

Please let us know, in the church office, if your name has been omitted.

**First Baptist Church
 Welcomes the following
 New Member By Letter**

Mrs. Jocelyn Arrendale

**Church Nursery Volunteers
 Scheduled for Today:**

Babies & 1 Year Old Group
 Irma Hall
 Penny Lawson

2 & 3 Year Old Group
 Wendy Graham

*A Special Thank You To Our Volunteers.
 If You Re Interested In Helping In The Nursery
 Please See Susan York or Call The Church Office.*

**Wednesday's
 FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER**

**Smoked Pork Loin
 Salad
 Dessert
 Tea Coffee Water**

Cost: Adults \$5.00
 6yr. – Youth \$3.00
 5 & Under N/C
 Family Max \$20.00
 Reservations / Cancellations

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 WITHOUT NOTICE**