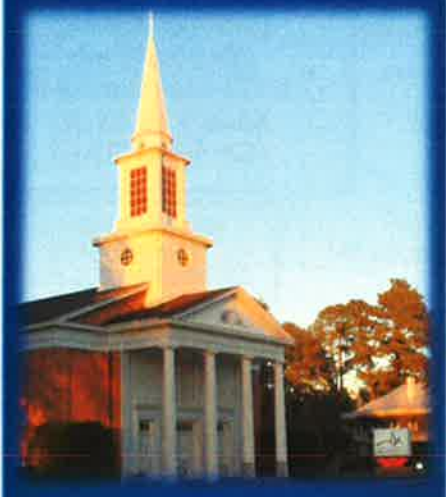




**CHURCH STAFF**

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



**GREETERS/USHERS**

**Hilman & Louise Walden**

**Glenn Adkins  
Joe Hendrix  
John Stalvey  
Stacy Williford**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL  
HALLWAY GREETER  
Myrt Ives**

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.**

**MERCER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION'S MISSION EMPHASIS WEEK**

**SHARE THE PULPIT SUNDAY**

**THEME: ACTS OF A HEALTHY CHURCH**

**GUEST: REV. LARRY HARRIS**

**SANCTUARY**

**11:00 A.M.**

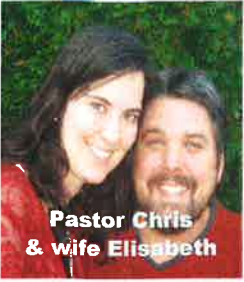
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**NO EVENING WORSHIP / ACTIVITIES**

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**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, MAY 29TH,  
IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY**



Pastor Chris & wife Elisabeth

As a pastor, I get some very interesting phone calls from time to time. Recently, I received a call from someone outside our state. They were a stranger to me and our church. They were getting married and wanted to know if I would do the ceremony. Well, "ceremony" probably isn't the right word. They shared that where they live there is a three-day waiting period to get your marriage license and get married. They wanted to come to our area because there was no wait. Now, to be clear, I don't do wedding ceremonies with those I don't know. I have clear wedding policies I adhere to and ask those I work with to adhere to. Therefore, I declined to do it. But, putting that aside, I had another concern. You can't wait *three days*?! What's the rush? I confess I don't know the circumstances surrounding this couple, but three days?! Some things just should not be rushed.

This reminds me of an Alabama song that goes, "I'm in a hurry to get things done. Oh, I rush and rush until life's no fun. All I really gotta do is live and die but I'm in a hurry and don't know why." Are you in a hurry? Rushing through life trying to get somewhere but you don't know exactly where that is? Like Martha in Luke 10, are you rushing around trying to get things done and wondering why others (the "Marys") don't understand the urgency?

*"And Jesus answered and said to her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things. But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her.'"*  
 Luke 10:41-42 (NKJV)

Some say patience is a virtue. To others, it just seems like a thorn in the flesh. But God calls us to "Be still and know that [He] is God" (Psalm 46:10). Whether it is rushing to get married, hurrying to pay the bills, speeding to make the appointment, or dashing to church...make sure you slow down enough, and at times even stop, to know that He is God and He is in control. He promises us that one day He will remove all our anxiety, fear, sadness, and pain. One day we will enter a new home that has no reason to rush or worry. Now, *that* is something worth waiting for.

Homesick for Heaven,  
 Pastor Chris Hilliard

**MAY**  
 STAFF ANNIVERSARIES  
**Administrative Assistant**  
*Cathy Williford*

**Forever Young**  
**Musical Fun**  
**with Lori Carnine**  
**June 1 at 11:30**  
**(Covered Dish)**

**CHURCH-WIDE**  
**YEAR-LONG**  
**MISSION PROJECT**  
**Collecting for**  
**SHOEBOX/**  
**BACKPACK**



**MAY:**  
**Hair Accessories,**  
**Fashion Jewelry,**  
**Sunglasses, T-shirts,**  
**Socks, Hats, Under-**



**YOUTH NEWS:**

steve@bemiss.com



Youth Minister Steve & wife Trami

Over 30 of us enjoyed a 'School's Out for Summer' party at the Ponderosa. The Youth Dept. hosted the Children from 10-1 with a fun-filled morning of excitement which included Swimming, a Slip-n-slide and a huge Water Slide! Then the rest of the day was enjoyed by all of the Youth.

Some of our Youth summer plans include:

We will not meet this Sunday night due to Memorial Day holiday, however, on Sunday nights when we are having services, the youth will meet at the Ponderosa for activities, snacks, worship and Bible Study.

Our High School Students will be going to Barbourville, Kentucky to participate in Mission Fuge Camp; June 4th - June 9th. We plan to attend a Braves Baseball Game on Friday, June 9th and stay in Atlanta heading back home on Saturday, June 10th.

Our Middle School Students will be going to Ft. Walton Beach, Florida to participate in Super WOW Camp; June 19th - 23rd.

Three of our students will be attending the Georgia Baptist Convention's 'Surge 150 Music Camp' in Toccoa, Georgia from June 19th - 24th.

We covet your prayers for these upcoming events and stay tuned because we have more fun planned for this summer.

All things in Christ! Steve Shierling

**WORSHIP MATTERS:**

fbqworship@hotmail.com

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*  
 Words: Henry van Dyke Music: Ludwig van Beethoven



Minister of Music John & wife Jeanette

While gazing at the magnificent mountains of Massachusetts, Henry van Dyke described in "Joyful, Joyful," the many aspects of life that should bring us joy. He insisted that his text, written in 1911, be sung to the music of "Hymn of Joy," from Beethoven's ninth symphony.

This combination of words and great music, makes "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" one of the most joyous expressions of any hymn in the English language.

See you in Worship,  
 John

**\*WANTED: DRUMMER\***  
 putting the heart before the beat

*\*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\*  
 10:50 a.m. Worship Choir Rehearsal (Choir Suite)  
 10:55 a.m. Count Down for Worship  
 11:00 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP\* (Sanctuary) Rev. Chris Hilliard  
 (No Children's Church for the summer)  
 No EVENING WORSHIP

**MONDAY:**

**MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY (Church Office is Closed)**

**WEDNESDAY:**

9:00 a.m. Ministerial Staff Prayer & Planning Meeting  
 10:00 a.m. Broadcast Morning Worship on Quitman Cable Channel 6  
 5:30 p.m. Family Night Supper (Last one before summer break)  
 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Pastor's Bible Study (Chapel)  
 6:30 p.m. Children Preview New Summer Program: Team Kids  
 6:45 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room Suite)

**THURSDAY:**

11:30 a.m. Forever Young Musical Fun with Lori Heard Carnine (F.H.)

\*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.

A Thank you note was received from Elizabeth Nordan and Paul Howell; the family of Mrs. Myrtis Howell. Please stop by the bulletin board next to the church office to see this note and other information we have received about local mission needs as well as community opportunities.

**Sunday School Promotion Day is Sunday, June 4th!**  
**All children should go to their current classrooms and then they will be escorted to their new Sunday School Classes at the appropriate time.**

**Kids 4 Christ News:**

For the summer we will have Kid's Activity Night on Sundays and Team Kids on Wednesdays

As a reminder all summer Kid's Activities on Sunday and Wednesday Night's will start at 6:30 p.m. Also, there will be no Children's Church through the summer.

Remember our Vacation Bible School begins June 4th thru 8th from 5:30 - 8:15 p.m. Our Theme is Passport to Peru - Discovering God's Good Gifts. Volunteers are needed. If you're willing see Wendy Graham, Melissa Stalvey or Fran Wisenbaker.

We are going to Legacy Outdoor Ministry Camp this year. July 9-13 will be for the Boys and July 16-20 will be for the Girls. Be sure to sign-up soon since this is a first come first serve.

Watch the Visitor for other activities we have planned.

We are looking forward to an exciting, adventurous summer.

Barbara Waldron



**Did you remember to sign your child(ren) up?**

**2017 Vacation Bible School: Passport to Peru  
 Discovering God's Good Gifts**

Grab your passports, we are headed to Peru for an unforgettable VBS experience this year! The kids will immerse in this vibrant culture as they hike the cloud-shrouded ruins of Machu Picchu, savor exotic flavors of the Amazon, write to their very own Peruvian pen-pals, and most importantly - discover God's good gifts are for us all!

\*Volunteers are needed for Decorating, Classroom Leader and Helper positions, prayer team members, arts & crafts, music, games, nursery workers, and more! Sign-up today to join the excitement and fun!

**Dates: June 4-8**

**Times: 5:30-8:15 p.m.**

**Registration:**

**Now Open: 4 Year Old through Rising 6th Graders**

\*Please see Wendy Graham, Melissa Stalvey, or Fran Wisenbaker

Sunday School Enrollment	341
Sunday School Attendance	154
Morning Worship	159
Evening Worship	70
Youth Service (Ponderosa - 24)	
2017 Budget Weekly Needs	\$11,510.97
Budget Receipts	\$11,852.00
Designated	\$35.00

2017 BUDGET NEEDS YTD	\$234,576.37
2017 BUDGET RECEIPTS YTD	\$214,573.44

**COUNTING MAY**  
 Financial Secretary: Janice May  
 Tellers: Michael Peek, Louie Williford

**Memorials**  
**STATE MISSIONS**  
 For: Mr. Ron Miller  
 By: Tommy & Patti Ellinburg  
**AUDIO/VISUAL MINISTRY**  
 For: Mr. Ron Miller  
 By: Marvin & Barbara Kemp

**Baby Bottle Boomerang June 1st - 30th**  
**All proceeds support Options Now Ministry**

- Church Conference Actions**  
 May 21, 2017
- Line Item #5060 may be increased by up to \$1,000.00 as needed.
  - Line Item created for College Missions with \$3,000.00 limit added to the current 2017 budget. This will support our youth going into mission service. (Our church voted to support Chandra Jones @ \$250.00 per month retro active for this year.
  - College Mission Special Fund - others may also give to support the College mission fund.
    - To hire Karen Haineault & Gwyn Boutwell as FBCQ Interim Organists
    - Disbanded the Sr. Adult Committee for 2017
  - FYI: Deacons stated the church members will be more involved in the Deacon election process. Asked that they church begin to pray for the future nominees.
- Goals for the following will be set at the next Deacon's Meeting:  
 STATE MISSION OFFERING: MISSION GEORGIA  
 LMCO: LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING  
 All future Mission Goals are to be set at the beginning of the year and included in the Budget Report.

**Missions Report**  
 Our next Peru Missions trip will be in August. This will be for Bible Drill. The Bible Pre-Drill Event will be on August 20th & 21st with the final drill being on August 26th.  
 Barbara Waldron

The arrangement in the Sanctuary this Sunday is given in Loving Memory of Mr. Tommy Barrs by his family.



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

**Church Nursery Volunteers  
 Scheduled for Today:**

**Babies & 1 Year Old Group**

**Elisabeth Hilliard  
 Melissa Stalvey**



**2 & 3 Year Old Group**

**Fran Wisenbaker**

*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!*

*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*



'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.

**TEACHERS AND STUDENTS PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS...  
 Sunday School Promotion Day is Sunday, June 4th!**

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

**Wednesday  
 FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER**

**Brunswick Stew  
 Sandwich  
 Salad**

**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**

**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.



JOIN US FOR  
**WORSHIP**  
 11:00 a.m.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**MAY**

- 28 Mr. Mark Renfro
- 29 Mrs. Glenda Hewett
- Mr. Brandon Hargrove
- Colt Ansbaugh
- 31 Mr. Michael Good

**JUNE**

- 1 Mrs. Ola Pickels
- 2 Mr. Darryll Duncan
- 3 Mrs. Tootsie Bower
- Mrs. Carolyn Collins-Mathis



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