



The Visitor
Sharing Christ ...
Serving our Community.

SUNDAY, November 26

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

Pulpit Guest: Rev. Terrell Ruis

Sanctuary

**2:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to help prepare
the church for the upcoming holiday season.**



5:30 p.m. YOUTH / RAs / GAs

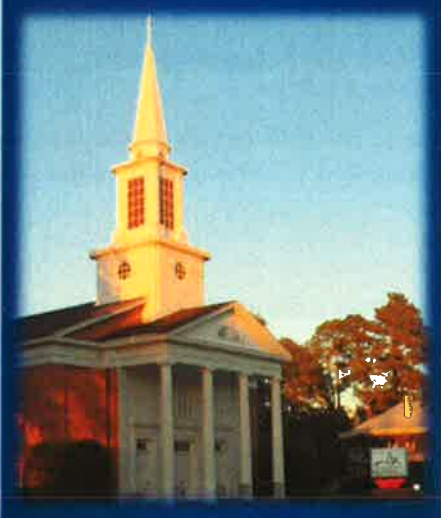
6:30 p.m. HANGING OF THE GREENS SERVICE



Sanctuary

CHURCH STAFF

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| 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

Barbara Williamson

Scott Boutwell

Joe Hendrix

Baughn Holloway

Stacy Williford

**SUNDAY SCHOOL
HALLWAY GREETER**

Ada Dodd

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

Mrs. Edna Hagan
P.O. Box 407
Quitman, GA 31643

The Pastor Search Committee had our first meeting on August 27, 2017. At that meeting each member of the committee was given a handbook published by LifeWay to be used as a guide as we seek the man God is preparing to come as Lead Pastor of First Baptist Church of Quitman. Each member was encouraged to study the handbook as we began our assignment.

Our second and organizational meeting was held on September 17, 2017, At this meeting the following officers were elected: Allen Wheeler - Vice Chairman, Sibby Heard - Secretary, Tanja Dukes - Prayer Coordinator. Fran Wisenbaker, Tanja Dukes and Dee Dee Peek agreed to work together to see that current and appropriate information is made avail-able on the church’s website.

At this meeting we also decided that our meeting times would be set for each Sunday at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise notified. Due to conflicts, we have had to cancel or reschedule some of our meetings.

In order to assist the committee in developing a Profile for a Prospective Pastor, we decided in our September 24th meeting to develop and use Congregational Survey to be distributed to the church on Sunday, October 1st and collected on October 8th. This was accomplished and the committee has found that the survey has been very helpful in developing a Pastor Profile for First Baptist Church of Quitman.

There was a substantial amount of work done in compiling the information from the survey before we could work on the profile. That work has been accomplished and we have just completed our profile. A copy will be posted on the church’s website and copies are available for congregational information. Copies are available in the church office.

Your committee appreciates the participation of the congregation in the survey. The committee members’ surveys were calculated separately from the congregation and we were so pleased that the results of the two compared favorably, which means that the congregation and the committee expect the same in a pastor. Just to highlight a few, both groups agreed that a candidate should have some Southern Baptist seminary training, at least 5 years prior ministerial experience, and that preaching and leadership should be the most important strengths in a pastor.

We have received a limited number of resumes and will be seeking others as we continue the task you have assigned us in seeking God’s man to be our pastor. We have felt your prayers as we have been working and ask that you continue to remember us daily as we continue.

Respectfully submitted:

John R. Stalvey, Chairman, Allen Wheeler, Vice Chairman, Sibby Heard, Secretary, Glenn Adkins, James Bradford, Tanja Dukes, Dee Dee Peek, Buford Smith and Fran Wisenbaker

YOUTH:

229-263-3234

steve@bemiss.com



Youth Minister
Steve & wife Tami

In 2011 Georgia decided to let us ‘South Georgia Boys’ start baiting deer. That is where the hunters are allowed to pour out food or other supplements to draw a deer to a specific area. It didn't take me very long to notice that deer acted a little bit different around a feeder. They just seemed more nervous a little bit more spooked than normal, it’s like the deer knew that it's not natural and there was potential danger. But the draw of easy food seemed to be a shortcut that they just couldn't pass up! Even deer that had been there when other deer were taken would return to the temptation of an easier way rather than to work for it! It's as if they believe that it just wouldn't happen to them like it happened to the others.

All too often sin presents itself as a shortcut to those things that we desire. Whether it's happiness, wealth, pleasure, God has designed a specific way for us to get these things. Any shortcut or easier way is a sin that will lead to destruction. God's word tells us, “Enter through the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the road is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who go through it. How narrow is the gate and difficult the road that leads to life, and few find it. Matthew 7:13-14 HCSB

When something looks too good to be true, it probably is. Complete joy is within our grasp, but let's do it God's way and we'll have complete peace while we do it!

All things in Christ!
Steve Shierling

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
 2:30 p.m. Begin preparing the church for the holiday season.
 5:30 p.m. YOUTH/RAs/GAs
 6:30 p.m. HANGING OF THE GREENS SERVICE (Sanctuary)

TUESDAY:

6:30 p.m. LOL "Ladies of Luxury" (Fellowship Hall)

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+
 6:30 p.m. 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.

Christmas is such a special time of year - a time of celebration, family, and remembering the birth of our Lord. With this in mind, you are invited to join us at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, November 26, as we prepare the house of our Lord to celebrate the time of His birth.

There are jobs for every age and skill level, so everyone will be able to help.



Quarterly Church Conference
 November 19, 2017
 Actions:

- voted to accept the Committee on Committees report as presented
- voted to accept the Nominating Committee report as presented
- voted to follow the By-laws on having Business Meetings monthly instead of Quarterly

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.

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

Kasey Knight, Chrm.
 Tommy Ellinburg
 Sibby Heard

Nancy Romine
 Wesley Ross
 Tommy Waldron

Sunday School Enrollment	318
Sunday School Attendance	118
Morning Worship	132
Evening Worship	36
2017 Budget Weekly Needs	\$11,510.97
Budget Receipts	\$6,349.00
Development	\$120.00
Designated	\$570.00
2017 BUDGET NEEDS YTD	\$533,915.62
2017 BUDGET RECEIPTS YTD	\$470,669.95

COUNTING THIS MONTH
 Financial Secretary: Phyllis Hubert
 Tellers: James Bradford Allen Wheeler



2017 LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING³



Your Gift Transforms Lives
Our Goal: \$18,900.00
The Week of Prayer for International Missions
December 3 - 9
 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.

L. O. L.
"LADIES OF LUXURY"
 Tuesday - November 28th
 6:30 - 8:30
 Mary Nell Goff - Speaker
 Kelly Barr - Music
 Derrick & Leslie Williams - Meal
 Cost - \$5.00
 You may sign-up at Welcome Center



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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

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

Please return any keys
that have been borrowed
from the church office.
Thanks!

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



It's that time...
Holiday Church Calendar Planning
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.

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

- *Mike McHargue
Mary Powell
 - *William (Wally) Wallace
- *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**
- BRUNSWICK STEW**
- BREAD**
- 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**

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

- Tanja Dukes**
- April Smith**
- Sharon Cunningham**

*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.



NOVEMBER

- 26 Mr. Ken Downing
- 29 Mrs. Judy Storey
- 30 Karli Icard

DECEMBER

- 2 Mrs. Amy Hurst
- Dr. Lauren Rowe

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

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