## First Baptist Church Builder

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#### **FROM YOUR PASTOR**

I trust you are having a wonderful week this week. We had a really good worship service this past Sunday morning, and then a great service at Trinity Village Sunday evening! I am so appreciative of your faithful attendance and service to the Lord. And thanks to all for the delicious food and side dishes for our quarterly luncheon Sunday. Special thanks to our Kitchen hosts and hostesses and to our cooks for a job well done!

It's been a busy summer, with several opportunities for ministry and outreach. This past Saturday, we had Vacation Bible School. I appreciate the great preparation by Bro. Bryan and the faithful support of many of our folks who served and ministered in VBS.

And of course, we had a very successful outreach to our city firefighters. And WorldChangers was also an excellent community outreach. In mentioning the churches that assisted us with WorldChangers, I mentioned one church twice and mistakenly failed to mention Greenlee Memorial by name. We truly appreciate the work and support of Greenlee Memorial and pastor James Watson and their members in providing meals and ministry to the WorldChangers during this week. Thanks, and God's blessings to all who aided in this Gospel outreach to our community that saw 23 Gospel shares, 96 prayer requests, two salvations and 12 Christian recommitments. We are already seeking for WorldChangers to come back to Pine Bluff next year.

We will have our next "Chosen" video with fellowship snacks on Sunday evening, August 14, at 5:00 p. m. This is the last video of Season 2. We anticipate Season 3 being released sometime later this year. Bring yourself and food:)

This Sunday, July 31, Missionary Ryan Thomas and his family, his wife, Joy, and their five children, Hosanna, Haddon, Josiah, Elliana, and Elijah, will be with us in the morning worship service. Ryan and his family live and serve in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, reaching and training people from many countries. Ryan teaches Biblical Counseling at the Phnom Penh Bible School, train local pastors in counseling and ministry, and serves as an elder at Great Commission Baptist Church in Phnom Penh. They have served overseas since 2010. First Baptist Church supports the Thomas family as missionaries through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and the Cooperative Program. We also just gave \$5,000 to the Arkansas Baptist Children's Home a couple Sundays ago.

On Sunday, August 21, there will be a "Blessing of the Backpacks" during the morning worship service. On this Sunday we encourage each student, teacher, and administrator to bring your backpacks to morning worship so that we can equip them with Scripture and most importantly, pray over them for the coming school year.

Our church has adopted Coleman Elementary School to minister to this year, and other area churches have adopted other area schools. We have in the past provided meals to teachers and staff a couple times for Parent-Teacher days, as well as welcomed the teachers back to school with a small breakfast. We have also provided money for student uniforms and student incentives. This year, we will provide Coleman teachers a "Thank You Prayer Card" from our church along with a \$25 gift card to help them purchase school supplies. Begin now to prayer for the parents, teachers, students and our school districts for the 2022-2023 school year.

Bro. Kenny Bonds will be teaching through the book of Ecclesiastes August 21 through September 11 at 5:00 p. m. This Bible study will be held in the church fellowship hall. We will have refreshments, so you are encouraged to come, bring your Bible and notepad and favorite desserts!

Chuck Swindoll of "Insight for Living" ministry, wrote, "The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break a company... a church... a home.

The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past... we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude...

I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it. And so it is with you... we are in charge of our attitudes."

If we in faith have right attitudes, we will see God work wonders in our lives. God bless you and yours, and I look forward to seeing you back in church this Sunday. Tell somebody about Jesus this week! Pastor

### Here by Design

Dr. Bryan Bolton, Minister of Music and Children



A new Choir Year has begun! The Sanctuary Choir has returned to its regular rehearsals on Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm. Preparations have begun for our annual Hymn Festival on September 25, 2022 at 5:00 pm. We are in need of new members to join us and for former members to return to their places. This is an excellent time for all to set new goals of

attendance every time they are healthy and in town. Come and join us, next Wednesday at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary!

The Sanctuary Bells are coming back!! Rehearsals for The Sanctuary Bells will begin on Monday, September 12 at 6:00 pm. This group provides a unique opportunity to minister to each other as well as the church through instrumental worship. If you would like more information on how you can be a part of this unique ministry, please call me at 534-4741 or email me at bbolton@cablelynx.com.

**SAVE THE DATE!** Our annual Hymn Festival will take place on **Sunday**, **September 25**, **2022 at 5:00 pm** in the Sanctuary. The service will be a festival of hymns and psalms. It will include music from the choir and congregational hymns based on the words of the Psalms. All are welcome. Invite your friends and neighbors for this special time of singing and reading God's Word.



Blessing of the Backpacks. Sunday, August 21, 2022 during morning worship we will have the Blessing of the Backpacks. This is the Sunday that we encourage each student, teacher, and administrator to bring your backpacks to morning worship so that we can equip them with Scripture and most importantly, pray over them for the coming

school year.

Back to School Emphasis. The time has come, once again, for all of our students to head back to school. In anticipation, grades 7-12 are going to hit the pause button on "The Core" curriculum to unpack a four-part series that will prepare the students for going back to school. The series will begin on Sunday, August 7, 2022.

Vacation Bible School 2022. Our one day VBS at FBC is in the books and I am so thankful for our amazing leaders and volunteers. Their faithfulness to serve makes it possible for us to have activities for kids to grow in their understanding and relationship with the Lord and others. Thank you!





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#### Deacon of the Week

RODNEY RODGERS
August 7, 2022
BILLY STONE
August 14, 2022
MARC STRATTON
August 21, 2022
BLASIUS AWONSANG
August 28, 2022

#### **First Record**

**July 3, 2022** 

July 3, 2022					
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July 10, 2022					
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July 17, 2022					
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<b>July 24, 2022</b>					
5.98					
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5.00					
1.75					

TOTAL ..... \$7,763.25

The Deacons' Meeting will be Sunday, August 14 at 4:00 pm.

The Admin. Board will meet Sunday, August 21 at 4:00 pm.



on Sunday Nights with The CHOSEN

5:00 PM // Fellowship Hall

Video will be shown on August 14 Bring a snack food to share.

> Sunday, August 21, 2022 will be



#### **SUNDAY**

Undesignated offering will go to Neighbor to Neighbor.

**Evening Service at Trinity Village** 

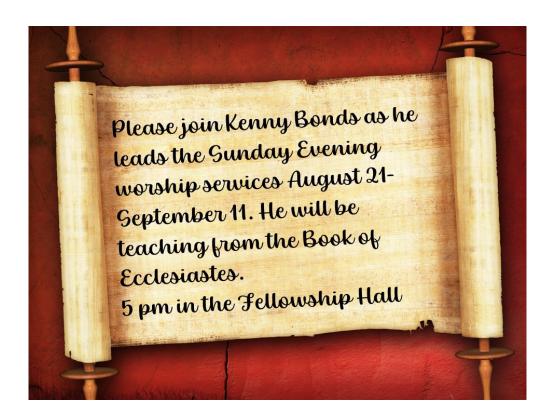
Sunday, August 21, 4:00 pm Trinity Village Great Hall

#### **SYMPATHY**

To Vincent Pryor and family, in the loss of his brother, Rod Cole.



FBC is collecting soda cans. The funds from the cans will be used for Operation Christmas Child expenses. Please leave them, in bags, in the wooden enclosure next to the kitchen door.





#### **Regular Schedule** for Weekly Services

#### SUNDAY.

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9:00 am	TV Broadcast on FOX 16
	(one week delay)
9:00 am	Prayer room open
9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Morning Worship Service

#### **TUESDAY**

6:00 pm	Griefshare (schedules to
	he announced)

#### WEDNESDAY:

12:00 pm	Prayer Meeting
6:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir
	Rehearsal

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**POWS** Do you have news weddir news, weddings, grandchildren, graduations, retirements announcements for your church family? Please let the office know and we will get it out there in this space.

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Our website is live and online giving is available again. Listed below are the steps you should follow.

- 1. Click the GIVE button on our church website: www. fbcpinebluff.org
- Click the Give Now button.
- Enter the amount you want to give.
- Give to the fund pre-selected for you or choose a different fund from the drop-down menu.
- 5. Select a frequency.
- Enter your email address.
- Click CONTINUE. 7.
- Select your account type: Credit/Debit Card

ACH/Checking Account

Enter your payment information to complete the transaction. You'll receive email confirmation of your gift.

If you choose ACH, be prepared to give the routing number of your bank and the account number.



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