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Grace and peace to you from our Lord Jesus Christ!

Tori and I recently had the opportunity to attend a conference called the "Speaking the Truth in Love Conference" at Founders Baptist Church in Spring, TX. This is the third year we have attended this conference, and each time we have gone, it has been incredibly edifying and refreshing for us, as we have sat under solid preaching of God's Word and enjoyed rich fellowship with some of our Christian friends who also attend. I would like to thank Dr. Mike Manning of the Harmony Baptist Association for preaching in my stead while I was away, and I would also like to express thanks to you, church member, for graciously allowing us to go to this conference.

For this month's builder article, I would like to share the main takeaways from that conference. I would encourage you, if you have some spare time, to go and listen to the sermons from the conference, which are available for free on the Founders Baptist Church Youtube channel or at truthinlove.org. The theme this year was "Conviction: Truth Worth Dying For." We were reminded of those in Scripture and in church history who died for the gospel of Jesus Christ. The whole conference served as a challenge to be convictional in our biblical beliefs, to the point where we are willing to face persecution of various kinds, even death if it comes to that.

Revelation 13:10 states very bluntly- "If anyone is to be taken captive, to captivity he goes; if anyone is to be slain with the sword, with the sword he must be slain." In other words, if God in His providence has ordained that you would face imprisonment or death for the gospel of Jesus Christ, so be it. We must adopt that mindset. This can be a difficult attitude to subscribe ourselves to in our culture and nation, where we have not in large part had to face strong persecution for our faith. But we do not know what the future holds, and we must be prepared, with conviction, to die for the truth. The verse ends with this- "Here is a call for the endurance and faith of the saints." Let us endure with faith whatever God has in store for us.

A closing thought that is relevant to each of us- if we are going to be men and women of conviction around the truth, which is what the modern church, our nation, and the world desperately need, we must know what the truth is. That means we must give ourselves to the knowledge of God through His Word. I would encourage each of you to do this- read Scripture, meditate on Scripture, memorize Scripture, and as you do, pray that the Spirit would form strong conviction in your heart, to the degree that you would not flinch in the face of death because you are standing firm on the truth of God's Word.

In Christ,
Bro. Dalton Adger

THE BEATITUDES

Blessings for a Joyful Journey

Dr. Bryan Bolton, Minister of Music and Children



Good Friday Worship March 29, 2024 | 6:00 p.m.

We invite you to join us for a special Good Friday worship service on March 29, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Good Friday is the day we remember the suffering and death of our Lord Jesus Christ on the cross. It is a solemn and sacred time to reflect on his love and sacrifice for us.

Our service will feature the Sanctuary Choir, and will include the reading of the Gospel Passion narrative, the adoration of the cross, and The Lord's Supper. We will also sing some hymns

and songs that express our gratitude and devotion to Christ.

We hope you will join us for this meaningful and moving service, as we prepare our hearts for the joy of Easter Sunday. Please invite your friends and family to come with you, as we share the good news of God's grace and mercy.



Opportunities for Service and Ministry

If you would like to sign up to serve in the Nursery during Sunday school or Extended Teaching Care, please call Bro. Bryan at 534-4741 or 489-8970.

We also need assistance with childcare for the Good Friday Worship service on Friday, March 29, 2024, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm.



WE ARE HIRING
PAID CHILDCARE COORDINATOR
Sunday Mornings and Monday Evenings
\$30/hour
Age Requirement: 18 and Over
fbcpinebluff.org/were-hiring/
Or Contact the Church Office for information at 870.534.4741
[Apply Now!](#)



Employment Opportunity for a Paid Childcare Coordinator

The FirstKids Ministry of First Baptist Church, Pine Bluff is seeking a reliable, compassionate, and energetic childcare provider to help coordinate a rotating list of volunteers and provide childcare on Sunday mornings from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, Monday evenings from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm, and other events as needed. For more

information, contact Bro. Bryan at 534-4741, 489-8970, or bbolton@cablelynx.com. Information cards are also available on the round table in the Foyer.

New phone directories will be printed soon. Please look for them on the round table next week.

Deacon of the Week

TROY COLE

February 4, 2024

DAN CROWDER

February 11, 2024

LARRY DANIEL

February 18, 2024

TOMMY FOWLER

February 25, 2024

First Record

December 31, 2023

Budget Needs	\$11,508.31
Budget Receipts	\$22,965.43
TV Receipts	\$310.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	\$75.00
Other	\$55,951.88
TOTAL	\$79,302.31

January 7, 2024

Budget Needs	\$11,964.98
Budget Receipts	\$11,290.00
TV Receipts	\$500.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	\$50.00
Other	\$1,217.00
TOTAL	\$13,057.00

January 14, 2024

Budget Needs	\$11,964.98
Budget Receipts	\$4,385.00
TV Receipts	\$250.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	\$300.00
Other	\$364.00
TOTAL	\$5,299.00

January 21, 2024

Budget Needs	\$11,964.98
Budget Receipts	\$6,550.00
TV Receipts	\$15.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	\$50.00
Other	\$105.03
TOTAL	\$6,719.03

January 28, 2024

Budget Needs	\$11,964.98
Budget Receipts	\$9,400.00
TV Receipts	\$65.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	\$100.00
Other	\$31,466.39
TOTAL	\$41,031.39

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

The Admin. Board will meet on
Sunday, February 18 at 5:00
pm

Sunday, February 18, 2024
will be



SUNDAY

*Undesignated offering
will go to
Neighbor to Neighbor.*

**Evening Service at
Trinity Village**

Sunday, February 25, 4:00 pm
Trinity Village Great Hall



Tuesdays, February, 6PM
Session is 13 weeks

SYMPATHY

To Dalton and Tori Adger
and family in the loss of his
grandmother, Cathryn Shaffert,
who passed away in LA.

To Katie Best and family, in
the loss of her husband, Don, who
passed away in Pine Bluff, AR.

To Lynn King in the loss of
his mother, Jean King, who
passed away in N Carolina.

Thank You

Dear First Baptist Family,

Thank you on behalf of our family for all of your prayers, cards and support during the loss of David's mom. Also, thank you to our Sunday School class for hosting the lunch for our family. Most of our family came from out of town and it was a blessing to have the meal at FB so we could all be together. Your gracious and kind spirit will never be forgotten.

Sincerely,
David and Kristine Brooks



NEW DEACONS

As a confirmation of God's calling and gifting, the following men are our newly elected Deacons of First Baptist Church. Please join us Sunday, February 4 at 5pm for the Deacon Ordination and Installation of New Officers.

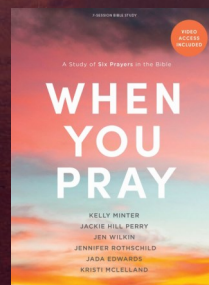
Blasious Awonsang
Zack Boyce
Dan Crowder

Lynn King
Rodney Rodgers

Winter 2024 Women's Bible Study

Sunday, February 11, 2024
5:00 PM to 6:30 PM
Dinner provided February 11

7 week Bible Study
Sundays, February 11-March 24
5:00pm to 6:30pm
Potluck/Heavy Finger Food dinners



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.

Regular Schedule for Weekly Services

SUNDAY:

6:00 am	TV Broadcast on KARZ 42 (one week delay)
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

MONDAY:

6:00 pm	Sanctuary Handbells Rehearsal (
6:30 pm	Bible Study Fellowship Women and Men

TUESDAY:

6:00 pm	Griefshare, Rm. #202 TBD
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WEDNESDAY:

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

News from the Pews

Shep Jernigan, a junior at Santa Clara University in San Jose, CA., made the President's List—all A's. He is the grandson of *Sue and Bob Smith*.

STAFF PHONE NUMBERS

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Bryan Bolton
489-8970

Deacons 2024

Blasious Awonsang	318-278-4208	James House	692-7921
M. H. Bitely	718-3764	Lynn King	540-7400
Zack Boyce	636-244-7852	Billy Kittler	550-8910
Travis Chisom	489-3881	Bruce Morgan	370-8318
Troy Cole	540-7393	Jim Simpson	692-3282
Dan Crowder	501-944-1236	Billy Stone	692-1191
Larry Daniel	540-7534	Rodney Rodgers	543-9936
Tommy Fowler	501-517-0490	Vernon Walker	489-2683



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
2. Click the Give Now button.
3. Enter the amount you want to give.
4. Give to the fund pre-selected for you or choose a different fund from the drop-down menu.
5. Select a frequency.
6. Enter your email address.
7. Click CONTINUE.
8. 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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