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First View of First Baptist Church Dresden

FEBRUARY Birthdays

- 1 Barbara Hutcherson
- 2 Brenda Moubray
JonReece Allman
- 3 Casey Evans
- 4 Charlene Carroll
Robert Doran
Betty Bequette
- 5 Pat Moon
- 7 Rachel Winstead
- 8 Shawn Francisco
Adrian Breeden
- 10 Betty Gatewood
Donny Smith
- 11 Frank Parham
- 12 Cayden Lowry
- 13 Lexie Greer
Pat Bynum
- 15 Kim Laws
- 16 Danny Moubray
Dale Hutcherson
- 17 Keely Adams
- 18 Lisa Harris
Pat Phillips
- 19 Jordan McWherter
- 20 Shawn Evans
Donald Davis
Eric Allman
- 21 Laurin Cobb
Hunter Robinson
- 22 Jerry Rickman
Claire Oliver
- 23 Carter Oliver
Jana Gallimore
- 24 Steve Myrick
- 25 Tanner Scronce
Lori Forrester
Kassidy Harris
Shirley Jones
JD McDaniel
- 27 Courtney Roberts
Isabell Cantrell
Brittany Forrester
- 28 Tracy Eddings
David Esch



February 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<i>Sunday School 9:45 am Sunday Worship 11:00 am & 6:00 pm</i> <i>Wednesday TeamKID 6:00 pm Wednesday Youth Group 6:30 pm</i> <i>Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 pm Wednesday Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm</i>						1 Men's Breakfast
2 WOM Deacons CK4C/MF Mission Report	3	4 Backpack	5 Ladies Bible Study	6	7	8 SEW Faithful
9 Brotherhood Service	10	11	12 LBS	13	14	15
16 CK4C/MF	17	18 JOY	19 LBS	20	21	22
23 CK4C	24	25	26 LBS	27 WCBA Evangelism Conference	28	29

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If you would like to be added to the DFBC email, text, or phone tree communication line to receive updates/events, prayer request, inclement weather notice, etc...please let the church office know with your contact information. **Reminder to keep the church office current on your membership profile changes (address, contact numbers/emails). You many also submit a picture anytime for the online directory .** Thank you! Janet

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Jimmy Dilday.....by Edith Dilday

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From the Pastor's Desk

In my last article I began a little four part series on the subject "Why Believe in the Church." In the first article we observed something about the source of the church. In this article, let us briefly take note of a few things about the nature of the church. These thoughts were gleaned from an article written by my Theology professor, Fisher Humphreys, at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. May we all find them enlightening and beneficial.

The Nature of the Church: Since God created the church, it is God who has determined the nature of the church; therefore, we must study Scripture in order to understand the nature of the church.

In Scripture, the nature of the church is described in terms of images. One biblical scholar, Paul Minear, has written a book entitled *Images of the Church in the New Testament* in which he describes no fewer than 96 images of the church in the New Testament. We shall briefly review three of the dominant images.

First, the church is the people of God. This is true because God created the church. It is true also because God continues to maintain a special relationship with the church. Peter wrote about the church as God's people: "You are a chosen people...that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God" (1 Pet. 2:9-10).

Second, the church is the body of Christ. Paul developed this striking image of the church most fully: "You are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it" (1 Cor. 12:27). Paul used the image of the body in order to speak both of the diverse gifts given to various Christians (the parts of a body have different abilities) and of the unity of the church (Christ has one body, not many bodies). By means of this image Paul displayed the fact that Christ works through the church (as human beings work through their bodies) and also that the church must remain closely united to Christ (as a body must remain united to its head).

Third, the church is the fellowship of the Spirit. In Scripture spirit is often associated with life: "the Spirit gives life" (see 2 Cor. 3:6), and the Holy Spirit is "the Spirit of life" (Rom. 8:2). The Spirit provides a *koinonia*, a fellowship or common life, that constitutes the church and in which all Christians share (2 Cor. 13:14).

So, we believe in the church because the church is the people of God, the body of Christ, and the fellowship of the Spirit. That is the nature of the church.

See you in church,

Bro Don



Going Beyond Live is an event for women of all ages and backgrounds and focuses on biblical teaching, study, prayer, and worship.

Ladies, of ages high school and up, are invited to attend Going Beyond Live with DFBC on Sat. July 18, 2020 at the Fed Ex Forum in Memphis TN. The cost of the event is \$90 which includes ticket, lunch, and transportation. We **ENCOURAGE** you to sign up by March 15th to get our discounted group rate.

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Sunday School. I love Sunday School. Always have. I hope I always do. It's a great place to connect. It's a great ministering tool during time of sickness and death. It provides an opportunity for Bible Study. It involves fellowship, getting to know each other, and sharing life with others. It works. If you're not a member of a Sunday School class at Dresden First Baptist there are many to choose from. Try one out. If you've missed for a while, come back. If you know of children or adults not attending, invite them. Same for JOY. If you haven't been, try us out. We'd love to have you. JOY involves fellowship, getting to know each other, and sharing life. Wonderful devotions, a great \$5 catered meal, and an inspiring program each month. On Feb. 18th we will welcome Pat Phillips and FCCLA students from Dresden High School, who will share with us some of their programs and achievements. Homemade vegetable beef soup, with cheese, crackers, dessert and drink is on the menu. Call Janet in the church office if you CANNOT attend. Stay warm and see you Feb. 18 at 11:30 in the Family Life Center.
Sheila Swearingen, JOY Director



On the Move...

We will be enjoying Karen Peck & New River at The Dixie on May 16th. Sign up sheet is at Information Station. Deadline is Jan. 31st.
SAVE THE DATE: August 6th—Union University Senior Adult Extravaganza is an afternoon of comedy & singing. More information to come. Watch the board for sign up sheet.
Lively Ones Directors, Bonnie Bullock & Diann Williams

Racial Reconciliation Sunday
Coming together with our Brothers and Sisters in Christ
Sunday February 9 @ 6:00 pm
Dresden First Baptist

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BRRR!!! Anybody reminded you lately that it's winter?? Of course, that is not necessary, just stick your head outside the door! We are thankful for a wonderfully equipped and warm church building where we can assemble and worship the Lord and enjoy the warmth of fellowship with Him and with one another.

The Winter Bible Study in the book of Jeremiah is going well. Thank you for praying for me and attending these studies. We are trying to make the study as easy to understand as possible, however, the message of Jeremiah is hard if we are just professing to know the Lord and love him but are not living out our faith in our daily practice. God is urging us to be faithful to our mission today in 2020. This study takes place each Sunday night at 6:00 P.M.

We are happy and pleased to welcome to our staff, Christian and Emily Carr. Christian will be the Minister to Students which includes children, youth, and college aged students. In the past we have only had Youth Directors and they have

all been good but limited by being bivocational and pressed for time. However, Christian Carr is a full-time Minister to Students and will lead in the Spiritual education, growth, and development of students in things of God. We are going to be blessed by what God will do through Christian and Emily at First Baptist! However, they will need the support and prayers from all of us. Try to be an encourager to this sweet couple and pray for them daily.

I appreciate and thank our teachers and faculty of our Sunday School for being faithful to their task of leading their class each Sunday, being on time, and ready to teach the Word of God to those in attendance. A good Sunday School teacher teaches more than the Bible, they show love, leadership, and commitment to Christ. While teaching is very important, Spiritual values are more caught than taught.

I look forward to seeing you in Sunday School and all our worship services each week.

See you in church,
Bro. Wayne, M. o. E.

Minister of Students: chracarr@gmail.com

This past month has been a whirlwind of faces and names. However, I have loved being able to meet each of you and getting to know everyone's name. It has been such a blessing being involved in this church community.

In the youth ministry, we are looking forward to the new year and are beginning to plan events for the students. On March 13-14th, we are planning to attend the Youth Evangelism Conference in Nashville, TN. It will be a great time of fellowship and worship as we join in with students from across the state to praise Jesus Christ. You do NOT want to miss out! The time to sign up is now as the event will be here before you know it. The deadline to sign up and pay is February 28th so be sure to pay online or at the church office. If you need any more information, please visit the church website. Also, we still need more chaperones, so please contact the Minister of Students if you can help and join in for a great weekend in Nashville!

For the younger students, TeamKID is in full swing on Wednesday nights from 6-7:30.

If your child is 3 years old to 8th grade, bring them out for a time of discipleship and walking through the Scriptures with kids their age. Our TeamKID leaders do a great job relating to the students and making their time together fun and interactive. Thank you TeamKID leaders!!

Also, for students 3 years old through 8th grade, join us on Sunday nights at 6:00 for Mission Friends and Creative Kids 4 Christ. Come join Christian and Emily as we learn about missions and about what God is doing locally and globally to spread the gospel to all peoples. And afterward, join Mrs. Sherryl for puppets and Mrs. Hannah for interactive ways to learn about Christ and Missions.

We at FBC Dresden love our students and desire for them to grow in their knowledge and love for Christ. If you would like to know more about what FBC Dresden has to offer your child or would like to volunteer in any aspect of the student ministry, please contact the Minister of Students and he would love to find a place where you can serve.

Grace and Peace,
Christian Carr, Minister of Students

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I hope you all are having a happy new year and are excited about the many blessings that this new year brings. That's certainly the case with the music ministry, which keeps rolling along year 'round, and we're thankful for the many opportunities it provides for the whole church family.

HAND CHIMES: The Adult and Children's hand chimes choirs practiced and presented songs during the Christmas season and will resume practices and performing soon. Pray for Jeanie as she leads and teaches them and for both choirs. We still need more children to participate so that we don't have to use 1-2 adults each time to fill out the group. (See Jeanie's column in this newsletter.)

ADULT CHOIR: I was so proud of the choir as it presented the Christmas cantata "Song of Joy" on Dec. 15. We appreciate the positive comments about the musical. Most of all, I'm thankful that God was glorified and that a clear kingdom message came through the narration and songs. I also was proud of the 8 soloists and their willingness to present those messages in song. As has become our tradition, we had a choir fellowship that night in the Life Center. These folks can cook as well as they can sing, so the finger foods were delicious. The choir family fellowship was just as special to us all.

Believe it or not, as we enter the new year, we will begin our Easter cantata practice on Wednesday night, Jan. 29, and have our listening party the previous Monday night. This introduces the choir to the new music and also provides another opportunity for fellowship. We encourage those who have not sung with us before to give the choir a "test drive" by singing in the cantata.

We will be singing the brand, new musical "Is He Worthy?" I think you'll love it. It is powerful and worshipful. Come join us in the choir room at 7:30 each Wednesday night.

The choir is also learning new music this month and next. They have already sung a couple of these and are learning others. We always try to present a blend of musical genres.

PRAISE TEAMS: The adult and older and younger youth praise teams continue to work hard on rehearsals as we carve time to practice. We love their talent and enthusiasm to sing for the Lord! We continue to try to find worshipful songs that are current and relate to all ages. AND our Adult Praise Team has grown by two as I just invited two more folks to join us. The 8-member version of the APT will debut the first Sunday in February and is rehearsing new music during January.

TEAM KID MUSIC: We continue to have wonderful participation and response from the children in TeamKid. We appreciate the support and cooperation of their teachers. We meet with our two youngest groups together, and we're still having almost 40 of them in one room. It's such a blessing to hear their voices and excitement to sing.

LOOKING FOR AN ORGANIST: I have been talking with some folks individually as I seek someone to play the organ for our song services. Thus far, I've not been successful, so I'm asking the church family to let me know if any of you are interested in playing the organ or know of someone who can. Just get with me before or after the Sunday morning or evening services. We need someone who can join our excellent pianist, Tommy Moore, in playing the songs each week.

God bless you all!

Dr. Robert Nanney, Minister of Music

Hand Chime Choir Director: Jeanie Nanney

The Adult Hand Chime Choir will play "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" for the Call to Worship this Sunday, January 26th, with fourteen adults participating. Our next performance will be on Sunday, March 1st, with practice on Wednesday, February 26th. If you are interested in playing with the Adult Hand Chime Choir (high school age and up), please let me know. We would love to have you!

The Youth Hand Chime Choir will resume practice on Sunday, February 9th, at 9:15. We are scheduled to play the Call to Worship on Sunday morning, February 23rd and again on April 5th. The April performance will be our final performance until fall.



The adults are hard at work on Wednesday night preparing the Call to Worship

Women on Mission: Unshakable Pursuit
For several years now in February, the Women on Mission carry out a "We Have a Heart for Dresden" ministry project. It works this way: A community service group is selected. Next, a WOM member writes a card of appreciation thanking them for how they add value to our lives. That card is then attached to a large box of treats that is gifted to the members of the service group. We hope each one will feel appreciated by our expression of gratitude. Within our families, our church, and our community, may mindfulness of treating one another with respect prevail. Romans 12: 9-10 instructs us that love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves.
Martha Hopper, WOM Director

SEW Faithful will meet Sat. Feb. 8 at 9:00 am. A spokesperson from Days for Girls will present a new project for the ministry. All ladies are invited to attend for sewing and non-sewing projects. Days for Girls is an international program providing care and education by developing global partnerships, cultivating social enterprises, mobilizing volunteers, and innovating sustainable solutions that shatter stigmas and limitations for women and girls. "Together, we're creating a world with dignity, health, and opportunity for all."

WCBA Puerto Rico Mission Trip Report
Sun. Feb. 2 at 6:00 pm