



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

THE TIE

**JULY
2015
SPECIAL
EDITION**

**300 W MAIN ST
LAURENS, SC
864 984 7500**

Minister on Call

June 29 - July 5
Carl Tolbert 229-798-0620

July 6-12
Tommy Cox 864-684-7424

July 13-19
Rickey Letson 678-230-8341

July 20-26
Adair Rogers 864-923-1631

July 27 - August 2
Carl Tolbert 229-798-0620

The Numbers Speak - Through Sunday, June 21

2015 Budget YTD:	\$492,822.83
2015 Giving YTD:	\$494,992.78
Worship Average YTD (Includes Nursery)	452
Sunday School Average YTD:	363

THE TIE	NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION
First Baptist Church	U.S. Postage Paid
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Laurens, SC 29360	Laurens, SC 29360

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

JULY 2015 BIRTHDAYS

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| 1. Bill Traynham
Pat Henry
Keith Blore
Holly Welch
Sarah Jacks | 7. David McCall
Charlsie Downs
Cindy Tollison
Keith Riddle
Courtney West | 14. Lilly Gault | Will Adams |
| 2. Mike Turner
Clark Dean
Taylor Marchman | 8. Monique Culbertson
Anna Stevenson | 16. Jimmie Keller
Patsy Craine
Laurie West
Kaye Mahon
Todd Croker | 23. Connie Hodges
Charlene Brooks
Trae Culbertson
Nancy Turner |
| 3. Greg Bailes
Jamie Gault | 9. Wilma Byers
Dianne Patterson
Jeffrey Kennedy | 17. Travis Langford
Wesley Carlay | 24. Gwen Adams
Mollie Adams |
| 4. Floyd Nabors
Betty Teague
Rick Shearer
Brian Reid | 10. Cyndi Moyd | 18. Janice Wynn | 25. Miriam Smith
Terry Varner
Danny Sherer
Joy Kirby
Valerie Stevenson
Sera Grace Dunaway
Jane Ivey
Corrie Grether
Robin Patterson |
| 5. Juanita Alexander
Charles Metz
Kevin Franklin
Callie Harlan | 11. Bob Brownlee
David Martin
Brooke Yarbrough
Ryan Wilson | 20. Sharon Angelakos | 27. Jim Barton
Suzanne Butler |
| 6. Alton Davis
Tracy Addy
Patton Croker
Johnathan Finley | 12. Edna Stroud
Brantley Marchman
Amber Jefferson | 21. Brother McDaniel
Ralph Culbertson
Susan Burns
Haley Reynolds | 28. Layton Mahon |
| | 13. Fred Wilson
Craig Little
Katie Black
Will Price | 22. Dot Garrett
Betty Thomas
Mary Lee Watkins
Steve Griffin
Chad Sherer
Lane Brown | 29. Bill Bobo
Wayne Sharpton |

SENIOR ADULT NEWS

Trip to Caro-Mi Dining Room Friday, July 24th

Located along the banks of Tryon's Pacolet River in the Blue Ridge Mountain foothills, Caro-Mi serves southern, family-style favorites in a rustic, relaxing setting. Sign up in the church office!

COMING THIS FALL AT FBC . . .

“The Art of Marriage” Conference! This conference is designed to help couples understand God’s plan for relationships. The Art of Marriage weaves together expert teaching, real-life stories, humorous vignettes, and more to portray both the challenges and the beauty of God’s design for marriage. This event will be held August 21-22, 2015 in the FLC/Gym. The cost is \$50 per couple, and includes couple workbooks and refreshments. Sign up in the church office or on the pew pads on Sunday morning, or contact Tommy.

FBC ON MISSION

- The Cain Class and the Bobby Smith Class recently donated to the Rotary Club of Laurens to assist with efforts to provide fresh water wells in Honduras. Each class received the Paul Harris Fellows from Rotary in recognition of their service.
- The ACTS Class has been actively involved in a partnership with AMI Kids in Clinton. Each quarter, the class provides a meal and a devotion time for the young men there.
- Literacy Trip to Marfa, Texas - We have filled all of our spots for the Mission Trip to Marfa. But, we still need your help! Our hope is to build book cases and supply books for 50 children as part of our camp there. Each child will receive Bible story books, health books and classic children’s books. We can provide a basic bookcase and 20 books for \$50 per child through our partnership with Texas Baptists. If you would be willing to participate by sponsoring one or more children, we would be grateful. Donations are needed by Sunday, July 19th.
- Laurens Habitat for Humanity - in late Summer FBC Laurens will be partnering with Habitat of Laurens County to finish the newest home being built. The home is the handiwork of LDHS students who are led by our own John Yarbrough. In the coming weeks, we will begin to partner with Sunday School classes to recruit volunteers for workdays and special projects related to completing the house.
- Welcome Home Tim & Anna Norton! We are excited to have the Nortons home in Laurens for a brief break from their work in Madagascar with the International Mission Board. Tim and Anna will be here through July 20th. Please welcome them home as you see them around the community.

JULY FBC YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- Wednesday Night Summer Youth Worship - Each Wednesday in July, 7-8:30pm
- Ultimate Frisbee, Thursday July 2nd, 10-12pm
- Day Trip to Carowinds, Monday, July 9th, Depart at 9am
- Youth Gravitopia Trip, Thursday, July 20th, 5-7pm (Student need to bring \$10 to eat)
- Frisbee Golf, Friday, July 24th, 10:30am - 12pm

PLAY BALL! GREENVILLE DRIVE TRIP SATURDAY, JULY 18TH

Join us for a trip to see the Greenville Drive play the Asheville Tourists. The game starts at 7:05pm and we will leave the church at 4pm in order to eat dinner before the game. We will take the bus or you may drive your car. Please sign up by Wednesday, July 15 or call Carl in the church office to reserve your tickets.

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

A GREAT WEEK AT VBS!!

VBS at FBC was wonderful! A seed is planted, lives are changed, all within five days of learning, singing, worshipping, and having fun! That’s what it’s all about. We also received a great offering that will benefit the Literacy Mission Trip to Marfa, TX! I would like extend a heartfelt THANK YOU to all of the many volunteers! It takes a village to make VBS happen!

Elizabeth

1st - 5th Graders to GRAVITOPIA!

Friday, July 24th

The bus will leave at 3:00pm and we’ll plan to return at 7:00pm.

Check your email for details!

NEW MEMBER



Grace Caldwell
(by Profession of Faith)