



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

THE TIE

**JANUARY
2016
SPECIAL
EDITION**

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JANUARY 2016 BIRTHDAYS

1. Linda Lanford Kevin Luiz	8. Billy Wilson	Linda Yates William Yates	23. Jimmy Garrett Seth Strickland
2. Bette Hood Ricky Poole	9. Rusty Cox	16. Buddy Crow Laura Brown	24. Neal Culbertson
3. Jeff Owings	10. Patricia Mahon	17. Sidney Lee Jackie Coggins	25. Margaret Ellison Kimberly Martin Jacob Griffin
4. Don McIntyre	11. Peter Lindley	18. Nolan Burns Hatchell Hardy	26. Bill Ellison
5. Albert Sharp Wanda Strawhorn Kim Holman Wells Croker Feagin Hardy	12. Blanche Pulley Corey Munden	19. Margaret Crews Seth Crow	30. Pat Leopard Jerry Garrett Christian Griffin Lance Putnam
6. Ann Marie Letson	13. J.C. Byers Kathy Crotts	20. Eloise Hughes	31. Margaret Lee Ruth Garrett David Crotts Lauren Moyd
7. Carroll Thompson Nathan Lindley	14. Margie Davis	21. Janet Garrett Betsey Holmes	
	15. Buddy Hudson Julia Craig Wayland Sherman Tommy Marchman		

Mark Your Calendar for These Youth Dates!

January 10 @ 4:40 - Parent Meeting in the FLC
 January 15-17 - Winter Retreat
 February 7 - Super Bowl Party

SUNDAY EVENINGS RESUME JANUARY 10

Youth Handbells, Youth Choir and Youth Bible Study will all resume on January 10th at their regular times.

There will also be three studies for Adults beginning that evening:

- A Men's Study of the book ***God Built*** by Steve Farrar meeting in the Fireside Room and led by Tommy Cox.
- The Sunday Evening Women's Group will continue their study of Max Lucado's ***You'll Get Through This***.
- Finally, a new study will begin called ***Dig Deeper*** which is open to any adults. ***Dig Deeper*** provides basic tools for personal Bible study in order to get the very most out of our reading of the Bible. This study will be a great help to those making New Year's resolutions related to scripture reading. The study will be led by David Corley, Phillip Dean, John Topping and Rickey Letson. It will meet in Bobo Hall and books will be available.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS RESTART - JANUARY 13

Join us on the 13th as we kick off our Winter Wednesday night schedule. As we do, Mike Stroud will be making his famous chicken stew with the proceeds going to benefit our Haiti Mission Team. That evening along with great opportunities for children and youth, two Adult Studies will begin. Tommy will be leading part II of the **Book of Ephesians**. Whether you were a part of the study of the first half of Ephesians in the Fall or not, you will be welcome to participate. The group will meet in the Conference Room. At the same time, Rickey will be offering a 5 week study of the **Book of James**. This series will be a companion to our sermon series in January & early February called ***Lights, Camera, Action*** which will also be based on James. This time together on Wednesday night will take us into a deeper look at the meaning of this small book from the later New Testament.

TUESDAY MEN'S GROUPS

Along with our Sunday night group, we offer two men's groups on Tuesdays. The 7am group led by Tommy Cox will restart on January 12th and the Noon group led by Rickey Letson will restart on January 5th. New participants are always welcome to join us.

FOURTH ANNUAL SUPER BOWL BREAKFAST - JANUARY 31ST

This year's breakfast promises to be the best yet with former Philadelphia Eagle and San Francisco 49er David Akers as our speaker. As a kicker, Akers was an All Pro six times, played in two Super Bowls and once shared the record for the longest field goal in NFL history. Akers now travels the country sharing about football and his faith. The breakfast will be at 8am in the gym and is \$10 per person. Space will fill up quickly so make your reservation beginning January 3rd!

PRAY FOR OUR FBC HAITI MISSION TEAM - JANUARY 24-30

Please join us in praying for the eleven members of FBC who will be working in Haiti in late January. Through the generous donations of FBC members, they will be building a basic home for a family there. Team members will also be working with a dental clinic, orphanage and in other programs. You can also help support the team by joining us for Mike Stroud's Chicken Stew on Wednesday evening, January 13th at 5pm. Proceeds will benefit our trip. Our Mission Team members are: Clark Dean, Philip Dean, Lynn Finley, Robin Hornberger, Craig Little, Alana Noble, Seth Reynolds, Adair Rogers, John Topping, Carol & Nancy Thompson.

WORSHIP IN JANUARY AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

January 3: Epiphany - *Do We Have the Courage to Follow?*

Matthew 2:1-12

Lights, Camera, Action: The Book of James & The Call Faith in Motion

January 10: *For the Long Haul*

James 1:2-8

January 17: *Living in a World Gone Mad*

James 1:19-21

January 24: *A Little Less Talk, A Lot More Action*

James 1:22-25

January 31: *Faith, Widows & Orphans*

James 1:26-27