

"Father, ignite our passion for You; ignite our passion for Your Word; ignite our passion for Your Church; ignite our passion for the least and the lost of our community and Your world."

Throughout this year, this has been my prayer. This continues to be my prayer. There's a lot of truth in the old saying, "You better be careful what you ask for; you just might get it." I have learned that as a result of this prayer, God continually takes his shears to my life and prunes me here and there by placing me in situations where He asks, "Do you really mean what you are praying?"

I invite you to join me in praying this prayer for the remainder of 2014. Pray it on a daily basis. Pray it multiple times throughout the day. But beware; you just might get what you ask for. You might find yourself carving out more time throughout the day to spend talking to your Heavenly Father and listening to His voice as you read His Word. And on those occasions when you allow other events to crowd your schedule and limit your time with God and His Word, you will feel an emptiness that draws you back to Him. You might find yourself developing a compassion for His Body, the Church, like you have not previously experienced. You might find yourself looking past the faults and imperfections of others, praying for their spiritual growth, and praising God that He continues to use imperfect people like you for His Kingdom purpose. And when you are too quick to criticize and speak negatively about brothers and sisters in the faith, you might find yourself humbled by the Holy Spirit as you are reminded of your own imperfections. You might find yourself looking at people in poverty and those marginalized by society in a totally different way. You might begin to see them as Jesus sees them; not with critical eyes more concerned with why they are in that situation; not as projects to be fixed and changed; but as people created in the image of God who need encouragement and community through your generosity and friendship. You might become broken in spirit for those who are lost, both those who have rejected the Gospel and those who have never heard the Gospel. You might begin to watch the news, read the newspaper, and scan the internet with the renewed understanding that the presence of evil in the lives of people is attributed to the absence of God in the lives of those people. And you might find yourself calling out to God for their salvation. And you might find yourself crying out to God in thankfulness for your salvation as you realize that His grace in Christ reached through your sinful nature and saved your soul from an eternity of separation from Him.

I challenge you to pray this prayer, but be warned; you might just get what you ask for!

Something BIG is happening this Saturday! Sure, the Razorbacks are playing the Aggies, but even a Razorback win will pale in comparison to what God is going to do during the CELEBRATE CHRIST MISSION DAY taking place in Stuttgart, Almyra and Aberdeen! If the Razorbacks win there will be huge celebrations, but no one is going to get saved as a result of the outcome of the game. But as the churches of Centennial Baptist Association come together to serve our community and share the Gospel, the eternal destiny of people will be changed forever. Souls will be welcomed into heaven and the angels will throw a party the likes of which Dickson Street has never seen!

It's not too late for you to register for this one-day mission trip that takes place right here in Stuttgart! Call the Church Office (673-6952) to have your name added to the growing list of FBC members who want to make a difference in our community for the glory of God.

The day begins at 9:00am with an OPENING RALLY at the FBC Stuttgart Activity Center. Coffee, juice and pastries will be served. We will worship and pray together. Teams will form at 9:30am to receive their instructions and leave for their assigned ministry locations. All MINISTRY TEAMS will begin serving by 10:00, with the exception of the BLOCK PARTY TEAMS who will set-up at 10:00 and begin the fun by 11:00. Ministry Teams are encouraged to take a short break at noon to join all teams at the nearest Block Party for LUNCH. Following lunch Ministry Teams will resume their service until 2:00pm at which time they will begin making their way back to the Activity Center for a CELEBRATION TIME at 2:30pm. During the Celebration Time teams will share results and we will give praise to God for an incredible day. By 3:00pm everyone should be on their way home.

If your schedule absolutely prevents you from participating in the Celebrate Christ Mission Day, make sure you spend time praying for the following teams:

- Block Party Teams (John Cain Park & J. B. Bryant Park)
- Evangelism Team (going door-to-door in neighborhoods around the Block Party sites inviting people to attend the Block Party and hopefully sharing the Gospel)
- Service Teams (Yard Work, Home Repair, Car Wash, Laundromat, Nursing Home – all showing the love of God, inviting people to the Block Party and hopefully having the opportunity to share the Gospel)

Should you have any questions about the Celebrate Christ Mission Day, contact one of your pastors.

LOVE CHILDREN? HAVE WE GOT A MINISTRY FOR YOU!

An incredible ministry offered to both FBC members and those who worship with us is our Nursery and Extended Session which is staffed by FBC volunteers who have a heart for children. While their infants and toddlers are being loved in our secured Children's Wing, parents have the opportunity to attend worship distraction-free. Many of our volunteers are parents of infants and toddlers. What a ministry!

Recently we have noticed that our current volunteers are being called on more often than should be required. Most are sacrificing at least one worship experience a month and a few two. Make no mistake, not one of the current volunteers are complaining; they love children and know this ministry might have eternal consequences.

If you have a love for children and wouldn't mind sacrificing a worship experience every couple of months, we have a lot of children who would love to have you care for them. Their parents will also be grateful.

Call the Church Office (673-6952) and let Julie know you want to be added to the Nursery/Extended Session list!

First Baptist Church News & Events

We are now officially a month into school, and I don't see any of our teachers pulling their hair out yet, so I call that a success. Things are wonderful at Flipside. We are already having attendance of over 100 students and they are fired up and ready for a great time!

5th quarters are going great. We have a 5th quarter coming up this Friday after the game. We are going to have a bunch of bouncy houses/blow-ups, as well as snacks. It's going to be a great time and if you would like to help make us some snacks, we would really appreciate it. We'd also love to have more adults come and help out on 5th Quarter nights.

Super Winter is also coming up. We are planning on going to Super Winter this year on January 16-19. The cost is only \$55 which will include food and lodging. You are not going to want to miss out on this if you're in the 7-12 grade! The speaker this year is Scottie Johnson and the worship band is Preservation Theory.

Starting at 4pm the first Sunday in October is "**Sundays@ the Caf.**"

This is going to be some great small group discussion time as we dig deeper into our Faith. Also, we are starting Fresh Start the first Wednesday in October, which will be at 7 on Wednesday mornings for 9-12 grade. Don't miss out!

I know this tends to be a busy time of year and I'm praying for each and every student and family to keep their priorities focused on God. He's doing great things and I'm so glad I get to be a part of FBC Stuttgart.
Chris

One Day Women's Conference
"Oh Lord, Help Me Be A Better Me"
(inside and out)

Saturday, October 18th

Conference will be **FREE**
Lunch is \$8.50

Doors Open at 9:00 A.M.

Conference will start at 10:00 A.M.
(Please have all registration & lunch forms, with lunch money, turned in to Stuttgart First Baptist Church by Monday, October 13, 2014)



Women's Resource Center

The Hope Women's Resource Center will be holding a fundraising banquet November 12th at 6:00 at the Grand Prairie Center. Ryan Dobson, son of Dr. James Dobson will be the keynote speaker. The Hope WRC meets a critical need in our community through the mobile unit here in Arkansas County by offering free: pregnancy tests, limited obstetrical ultrasound, and community referrals. Be a part of the hope banquet and support LIFE! No ticket required, free admission. An opportunity to donate will be given at the end of the night. Contact Celeste Smith at 870-692-1112 or via e-mail celeste.smith@fbcstuttgart.com for more information.



September Collection:

Caps, Tees, Flashlights, and Batteries

October Collection:

Candy (no soft chocolate) Stuffed Animals, and Dolls

Countdown for OCC

8 Weeks

1 Box + 1 Member = 1 Blessed Child

The OCC Team has a workday planned for **Each Tuesday, @ 1:30 p.m. In Room #18**

Come join us to put Go Boxes together, make scarves, sewing kits, purses, sack candy & soap/washcloths

Please be sure to include \$7.00 for shipping in each shoebox that you pack at home. If you have already turned in boxes and forgot to include your shipping, please do so by November 17th. Turn into the Church Office.

First Baptist Church News & Events

Pastor on Call

September 21-27
Dr. Sam Roberts 870-830-6877
September 28-October 4
Chris Roller 501-454-2317
October 5-11
Scott Quimby 501-454-2012

Deacons on Call

September 21-27
Walter Hillman, David Rodgers
September 28-October 4
Ward Smith, Gary Arnold
October 5-11
Jimmy Whiteside, Chris Armstrong

“Women of the Word”

Will NOT meet
This Tuesday Sept.30.
Class will resume on
Tuesday, Oct. 7th at Noon

Women on Mission

All ladies are invited to Women on Mission
Thursday, October 2nd at 9:15 a.m. We will
meet in the fellowship hall for coffee and snack,
then Chris Roller will share with us about the
mission trip to Wichita

50 + Trip

PETTIT JEAN STATE PARK
followed by lunch at
the Mather Lodge Restaurant
October 17th
Departure at **9:00 A.M.**

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Starts October 5th, 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
There is still time to register
Call the Church Office 870-673-6952
Or Andrew Skinner 870-830-6327

Paid Nursery Position open

Monday, Wednesday, and Sunday evenings
Call the Church Office if interested 870-673-6952

Worship Notes

I am excited about Centennial Celebration Day coming up this Saturday!
I pray you are excited too. Giving up a Saturday to share the love of Jesus to our community has far greater rewards than any trip that might be planned.
Please come help us love on Stuttgart.
Choir has started work on the Christmas musical. The music this year is a bit of a challenge, but this choir can handle it. If you've ever thought about singing in the choir, now is the perfect time to check it out. We meet in the Worship Center at 5:00 pm. Beginning in October 5 we will start rehearsal earlier at 4:30 pm. This will give us time to work on some Sunday material as well as the musical. Please begin now to pray over this musical. Pray that God would use it to bring a wondering soul home to Him and may it be a call those who have yet to follow Jesus.
Hope to see you at the Centennial Celebration day!!!

“My heart is Yours, my heart is Yours. Take it all, take it all, my life in Your hands!”
Scott

Happy Birthday
(scan the QR code)



September 25
Anna Cate Hildebrand

September 26
Jackie Banks

September 27
Norma Chism

September 29
Grace Chastain
Hope Chastain

September 30
Dean Daugherty
Ayden Robnett
Angela Vaughn

October 1
Maggie Armstrong
Jackie Beckwith
Melissa George

October 4
Hunter Easterling

October 8
MaryJo Fortune
Brent Jackson
Miguel Rodriguez
Estelle Seidneshwarz

October 10
Edward Lynch

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Church Staff and Phone Numbers

Dr. Sam Roberts Pastor	Scott Quimby Pastor of Music & Worship
Andrew Skinner Pastor of Discipleship	Chris Roller Pastor of Students
Julie R. Dixon Church Secretary	Jeanie Hartman Administrative Assistant
Celeste Smith Noah's Ark Daycare Director	
Church Phone	870-673-6952
Church Fax	870-672-9164
Church E-mail	info@fbcstuttgart.com
Activity Center	870-673-2680
Noah's Ark Phone	870-673-3231

Property Team Meeting
September 30th, 2014 7:00 p.m.
Room #9
Youth Ministry Team Meeting
September 30th, 2014 6:00 p.m.
@ The Cafe

Supper Menu
Supper at 5 PM and
Prayer Meeting at 6 PM

Wednesday, October 1st
Chef Salad, Peanut Butter Pie

Wednesday, October 8th
Meatloaf, Brown Beans, Mashed Potatoes,
Cucumber Onion Salad, Corn Bread,
Apricot Nectar Cake

Weekly Activities
Sundays

9:00 a.m. _____ Sunday School Bible Study
10:15 a.m. _____ Morning Worship Service
5:00 p.m. _____ S.W.A.T

Mondays

7:00 p.m. _____ Hand bells

Tuesdays

6:00 p.m. _____ FBC Quilters

Wednesdays

5:00 p.m. _____ Fellowship Supper
5:45 p.m. _____ Children Wilderness Escape
6:00 p.m. _____ Prayer Meeting
6:30 p.m. _____ FLIPSIDE 517 Youth Worship