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"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men."
Matthew 4:19

"Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'"
Matthew 28:18-20

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."
Acts 1:8

The call to salvation is a call to follow Jesus; it is a call to be a disciple who makes disciples. Being a disciple and making disciples are woven together in the call we have received. The two cannot be separated. This process of discipleship, being disciples who make disciples, is at the core of the mission we have received from Jesus. So, when we speak of "mission" or "missions", we are not speaking about an event, a trip, or a particular emphasis on the church calendar. We are speaking about a lifestyle!

Our God is a sending God. When Jesus spoke those words we know as the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20), he was simply continuing what God the Father had been doing throughout redemptive history and what he knew to be true for his own life and sending. "As the Father has sent me, I am sending you" (John 20:21). Church, this means we are the "sent ones." We have been sent by God the Son to make disciples of all nations for the glory of God the Father by the power of God the Holy Spirit. Where? Wherever we are! Being "on mission" with Jesus is who we are and what we do each and every day of our lives!

Allow your mind and heart to grab hold of this thought: Each day as you go to work or school, take a walk in your neighborhood, visit with someone at lunch, make a telephone call, post on social media; whatever you do and wherever you go, you are a missionary sent by God to make a difference in this world by being a disciple who makes disciples for the glory of God!

As your pastor, I am continually encouraged by the small evidences I see that more and more of our congregation begin to understand this truth of who we are in Christ! I hear it in your prayers and your voiced desire to be used by God; I see it as you interject the Gospel into your conversations; and I've witnessed it as greater numbers of our church family desire to be intentional in "going" with other missionaries from our church into the world to make disciples. And my heart is full!

This Sunday evening at 7pm you are encouraged to return to the Worship Center for an **ON MISSION CELEBRATION**. Various missionaries from FBC will be sharing stories of how they have witnessed the incredible power of God at work in the lives of people in Stuttgart and throughout the world. Scott will be speaking about his experience in South Africa with International World Changers. We will also hear from those who traveled to Irbit, Russia and Wichita, Kansas. And we will hear about local "on mission" experiences such as VBS and Hope Women's Resource Center.

At the end of 2014 we will be concluding our three-year partnership with Audacity Church (Wichita) and the Church at Argenta (North Little Rock). During our "On Mission Celebration", the Mission Team will be introducing two new partnerships for our church to consider: Mosaic Church (Boston) and Valley Church (Vilonia, AR). Excitement has already started to build regarding these potential partnerships!

We will also introduce a few of local "on mission" opportunities for the remainder of 2014. These include a small "thank you" gift for area teachers, a September 11 "thank you" for local law enforcement officers, firefighters and EMT members, and the 2nd annual **Centennial Celebration Day**.

Sunday is going to be a great day!

Click below to see pictures of our Mission Trips around the world

[Irbit, Russia](#)
[Johannesburg, South Africa](#)

First Baptist Church News & Events

Our incredible summer is about to wrap up, and I hope that everyone who reads this has been able to be a part of what we have been doing this summer. Whether you're a student, or an adult that has been with us to Super Summer, Florida, Irbit, or Wichita, or whether you're someone who has helped fund and/or prayed for us, then I want to say thanks for all you have done. God is doing some amazing things all across the world through our church and I'm glad to be a part of his great mission.

The greatest thing about missions though is that it's not a trip or an event, it's a lifestyle, and as we get ready to kick off the school year, those of us involved in FBC Student ministry are going at this year with this "mission lifestyle" mindset. We are already making plans of how we can impact our community on a much bigger scale than ever! Through this we hope to impact the entire world with the students here at FBC.

Maybe you're wondering the reason why I'm saying all this.

The reason is that we need each and every person at FBC, to come along with us. This mission includes several different types of involvement that anyone can find a way in.

First and foremost, we need people praying for our students and adult volunteers daily. There are a lot of things that will attempt to steer us away from the mission at hand, and the number one thing that is going to keep us on task, is praying for one another.

Another way you can help is to volunteer your time:

We need adults who are willing to come help on Wednesday nights, build relationships with students, and let them know that someone cares about them.

We also need some adults that would be willing to come drive students home on Wednesday nights.

Another way to volunteer is to come help us out on 5th Quarters. Every regular season home game, we are planning to provide students with a safe and positive place to hang out after the game, we need adults to come help us to hold things together. Maybe you can't be there to volunteer, in that case, students love to eat, and we would love to have volunteers donate cookies, snacks, and even drinks to Wednesday nights and 5th quarters. If you feel called to help us in this area then please call me at 501-454-2317 or email me at

chris.roller@fbestuttgart.com.

On Wednesday, August 20th we are going to have a big "back to school" cook out and bonfire!

This is a great time for adults to come out and engage in our students.

On Wednesday, August 27th, we will be doing Mud Wars at Lubick farms in Dewitt.

Stay posted for a full list of 5th quarters coming up soon. Thanks again for all your support.

Chris



Ladies,
if you are interested in
singing in a
FBC Choral Group,
please meet in the Choir
Room after Church Sunday
for more information, call
Nancy Dwigins
at 870-673-7844

Dear Church Family,
I would like to thank everyone who
has prayed for me, sent cards, and
visited me during the recovery times
after my two surgeries. I was very
surprised by the support for me from
my church. I really got to see how a
church family supports each other.
Cody Bagley

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Pastor on Call

August 10-16
Dr. Sam Roberts 870-830-6877
August 17-23
Andrew Skinner 870-830-6327
August 24-30
Dr. Sam Roberts 870-830-6877

Deacons on Call

August 10-16
Grant Beckwith, Carl Humphrey
August 17-23
David Belcher, Walter Hillman
August 24-August 30th
David Rodgers, Ward Smith

Previt! Hi!

This summer was the summer of being ON MISSION and the weeks passed with extraordinary speed. Started summer off with a week at Stuhkona Island (Camp Siloam), with some of the funniest and energetic kids that are on fire for God. We learned about God's provision for our lives as we followed the life of a surfer named Broseph (aka Joseph) with two tribes, one island and a very angry volcano. Followed by a frenzy of VBS preparations for the 113 agents who attended *Agency D3*. At Agency D3 we *Discovered* Jesus was the son of God and more than just a good man, *Decided* to accept his crucifixion for our sins and learned how to *Defend* him to others. Then 5 other church members and myself winged our way to Irbit, Russia where we spend 7 amazing days helping kids learn about the love of Jesus. From morning exercise, small group devotions, games and sharing meals we helped the light of Christ to be shown into a dark city. In return we made friends for life that will remind us each time we think of them why we need to be ready to share His love with all we meet. With just two nights to shake off jet lag, I and 50 others made our way to Wichita, KS where we helped to host a children's camp for Audacity Church. 45 children experienced the love of youth and adults from Stuttgart and DeWitt as we learned to Live Inside Out. The summer was capped off with children's ministry Swim Party held at the Stuttgart Country Club. Over 45 kids and adults were in attendance. That ended our summer in a SPLASH!

I want to thank the leaders and adult volunteers that make it possible for me to be ON MISSION. Thank you Norma Chism and Fay Rodgers for helping out with our children's summer bible study (Wilderness Escape) by teaching, leading games and doing crafts. Thank you Jennifer Gill and Elizabeth Skinner for filling by teaching in Sunday School. I also want to say thanks to our summer Youth Intern, Teyler Arnt who took care of the S.W.A.T. students on Sunday nights.

Thank you church for your prayers and support to allow this staff member to live out the purpose he has given each of us. The verse used with the FBC Children's Ministry sums it up. Mark 16:15, "Go into the world and preach the good news to all nations."

Like FBC Stuttgart and S.W.A.T. on Facebook to keep up with our Children's Ministry Activities and pictures as they are posted.

In Christ,

Andrew Skinner
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Worship Notes

Well folks, summer is basically over and it will soon be fall, my favorite time of the year. School is starting back, and so are our normal activities at the church. Choir rehearsal will kick off August 24. We will have a rehearsal at **5:00pm**. Following rehearsal, I've asked my Dad to come up and cook fish for us. I think this will be a great way to kick off choir for the year.

Hand bells, we will be starting a little later due to some church Calendar events, we will begin September 8. Please let me know if you're not going to be able to ring this year.

Thanks to all who have sung or played the last couple of weeks. You are all greatly talented and we are blessed to have you. More new music is on the horizon and we'll still sing what you love. Thank you all for your prayers and support this summer. I can't wait to worship with you all Sunday!

"He is able, He is able, Christ is able still to save!"
Scott

Happy Birthday
(scan the QR code)



August 13th

Kent Lockwood
Jo Minton

August 17

Sonya Simmons

August 18

David Wright

August 19

Jake Dillingham
Johnna Seeman
Marie Catherine Stephens

August 20

Tyrone Solee
Bethany Watkins

August 21

Bonnie Davis
Traci Felts

August 23

Riley Frazier
Andrew Skinner
Collin Smith

August 24

Josh Hayes
Reed McPherson

August 25

Pate Kleinbeck

August 26

Claudia Ahrens
Paula Stratton
Jena Stratton

August 27

Arthur Walmsley

August 28

Patsy Dean

August 29

Hayden Beckwith
Samuel Bogard

August 31st

Richard Hildebrand

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Noah's Ark Baptist Day School
is actively seeking
afternoon workers and morning aides
for the upcoming Fall Session.
Please contact
Celeste Smith,
870-692-1112 or
celeste.smith@fbcstuttgart.com
for more details.

Supper Menu

Supper at 5 PM and
Prayer Meeting at 6 PM

Wednesday, August 20th
Cheeseburger, French Fries,
Pineapple upside down cake

Wednesday, August 27th
Taco Salad, Peach or Apple Cobbler

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.
6:00 p.m. _____ Evening Worship Service

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

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