

The Vine: January 2017

Ministry, Maturity, Missions, Magnification

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2016 Annual Reports

It is that time of year again! We will be working to compile all the information received in order to put these reports together in the month of January. If you could send your information via email or give a hard copy to Shannon or Kevin by January 31 it would be appreciated. Thanks!



Psalm 51:7

On The Vine:

As we conclude one year and enter a new one, I always believe this is a great take time to review what has taken place in the last year and then make positive changes about our lives in the next year. I often ask questions like the following. What did I see God do in my life this past year? What were some difficult things that God brought me through? What were some things that I could rejoice and celebrate because God was working on my behalf. After writing these things down, I pray and thank Him for what He did. It is at this point that I ask God to renew my soul like David did in Psalm 23. I ask God that His will would be done in my life as it in heaven which we get from the Lord's prayer in Matthew.

I would encourage you to do the same. I believe as I said in my Christmas Eve message that God is always knocking at the door of our life. He will never bust through that door but he waits patiently for us to open that door and let Him enter into our lives. Remember this as well that God's mercy is new to us every morning. We are told this in Ecclesiastes. I continually believe that God desires this deep and close friendship with each one of us. **The Lord is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion. The Lord protects the simple hearted; when I was in great need, he saved me. Psalm 116:5-6** *Kevin*

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Ministry: We are committed to active corporate and individual involvement in serving others and demonstrating God's love.

Maturity: We are committed to spiritual growth and making disciples, through teaching, preaching, and personal daily devotions.

Missions: We are committed to evangelism, communication God's love to others, locally and globally through personal investment of time and the giving of our resources.

Magnification: We are committed to the practice of worshipping God by celebrating His presence regularly in our church and in our home.

Sunday Morning Messages

January 1: Begin With The End In Mind
 January 8: Understanding The Meaning Of Grace
 January 15: Understanding The Meaning Of Forgiveness
 January 22: Understanding The Meaning Of Faith
 January 29: Understanding The Meaning Of Baptism

December Numbers

December 4: 67
 December 11: 46
 December 18: 56
 December 24/25: 107

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

January 1 Nathan Hale/Reed Morris
 January 4 Greg Lientz
 January 5 Vicki Riggen
 January 6 Jessica Gardner
 January 7 Betsy Nance
 January 8 Brittany (Hoult) Nichols

January 14 Shirley Glick
 January 15 Betty Lewis
 January 21 Micah Jansen & Taylor Ross
 January 28 Sue Lawlyes & Nancy Hodge
 January 28 Roger Ellis & Marshall Daily
 January 29 Jessica Muehlher

Thank You!

The month of December is always a busy month around here! That is why we want to thank everyone for their continued service. Thank you to those who rang the **Salvation Army Bell** at Casey's, thank you to those who generously gave to the **RMMO**, thank you to the choir and Debbie for the **Christmas Cantata**, thank you to our musicians and praise team, thank you to those who gave their dimes to **Rancho San Juan Bosco Orphanage**, thank you to those who helped decorate for Christmas, thank you to those who gave to **Operation Sleighbell**. Thank you to anyone who did something that no one noticed.

God knows your effort!

Thank You!

Dear FBC,

We are grateful for our church family here at FBC. You have blessed us more than you know in the past 19 years! There are no words that can accurately convey our gratefulness. Thank you for all the cards and the Christmas gift.

Kevin, Kim, Lauren, & Caleb

Did You Know?

The longest book in the Bible is the book of Psalms. Psalms has 43,743 words.

The shortest book in the Bible is the book of 3 John. 3 John has 299 words.

Psalm 118 is the center of the Bible.



JANUARY 2017

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 HAPPY NEW YEAR! 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship	2	3	4 7:00pm Choir	5	6	7
8 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 11:15am Deacon, Trustee, Deaconess, & CE Mtgs.	9	10	11 12:15pm FCA @ CHS 7:00pm Choir	12	13	14
15 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 6:00pm Youth	16 Martin Luther King Day 6:00pm Philathea Class Meeting	17	18 12:15pm FCA @ CHS 7:00pm Choir	19	20	21
22 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 6:00pm Youth	23	24	25 12:15pm FCA @ CHS 7:00pm Choir	26	27	28
29 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 6:00pm Youth	30	31				