

The Vine: January 2015

Ministry, Maturity, Missions, Magnification

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2014 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 30 it would be appreciated. Thanks!



Psalm 51:7

On The Vine:

As we begin the year 2015, I have many thoughts about this new year as it relates to the First Baptist Church. One thing that continually comes to my mind is the generosity of people in this church. This concept of being generous is one of the key marks of a healthy church and a Christian who is spiritually mature. This concept comes from a deep-seated understanding of stewardship. Everything that we have as a church and as individuals comes from God and is not something we own but that we are given to oversee according to the Bible. God is the owner and has placed certain things in our world to give us the opportunity to use them for His Kingdom. That's what it means to be a steward—to advance the Kingdom of God by managing our wealth, our stuff, our possessions, in such a way that they bring glory to God.

I think that one of the great deceptions Satan places in the lives of Christ-followers is the concept of ownership, that we really have the right and an ability to control our possessions for our own interests. God clearly tells us that our possessions and our belongings are to be used for His glory.

The reason I think we are so blessed financially as a church is due to the fact that many people in this congregation understand stewardship and generosity. In turn, we can support various ministries here in the church, in the community, and outside this community. It brings me great joy when I can ask the deacon's to financially help someone or some project and with a resounding affirmation money is given to these people or projects. Jesus said these important words, "**For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.**" Matthew 6:21

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, communicating 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 worshiping God by celebrating His presence regularly in our church and in our home.

Sunday Morning Messages

January 4: A Lasting Investment Matthew 6:19-21
 January 11: Why Worry? Matthew 6:25-34
 January 18: Building On The Right Foundation Matthew 7:24-29
 January 25: TBA

December Numbers

December 7: 63
 December 14: 79
 December 21: 71
 December 24: 80
 December 28: 65

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

January 1 Nathan Hale/Reed Morris
 January 4 Greg Lientz
 January 5 Vicki Rikken
 January 7 Betsy (Nance) Rodems
 January 8 Brittany (Hoult) Nichols

January 12 Mike Powell
 January 14 Shirley Glick
 January 15 Betty Lewis
 January 21 Taylor Ross/Micah Jansen
 January 28 Roger Ellis/Nancy Hodge
 Sue Lawlyes/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 those who helped deliver **Christmas baskets**, 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 Glenda & team for the **Children's program**. Thank you to anyone who did something that no one noticed.

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 17 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

Which OT Books Did Jesus Quote Most?

1. Psalms 11 times
2. Deuteronomy 10 times
3. Isaiah 8 times
4. Exodus 7 times



JANUARY 2015

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sun

Mon

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Fri

Sat

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4 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 11:15am Deacon, Trustee, Deaconess, & CE Mtgs.					8 12:15pm FCA @ CHS			10
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11 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 6:00pm Youth					15 12:15pm FCA @ CHS			17
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18 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 6:00pm Youth					22 12:15pm FCA @ CHS			24
19 Martin Luther King Day					23			
25 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 6:00pm Youth					29 12:15pm FCA @ CHS			31
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