

# Welcome!

We are so glad you are here! Please take a moment to complete the guest card located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or give it to a staff member as you leave. More info is available in the foyer. If you have questions about our church, feel free to visit our welcome center. Someone will be there to help you!



## Kathleen Mallory Mission Offering

The Kathleen Mallory Mission Offering (KMMO) funds the work of Alabama Woman's Missionary Union. The Alabama WMU Day of Prayer is held each September in conjunction with the Kathleen Mallory Mission Offering. On the day of prayer, WMU age-level groups across the state gather to focus on praying for Alabama WMU and its members, and to thank God for the many ways in which He is using the ministry and its membership to bring people to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. During the Day of Prayer and KMMO emphasis, adults, students, children and preschoolers learn about the ministries of Alabama WMU. Using free study materials for each age level, leaders are able to guide participants in the study as they discover ways to minister in Alabama, our nation and the world.

The day of prayer for First Baptist will be September 12. On September 13, we will have a Cakes for Kathleen Silent Auction. You will be hearing more about this event. First Baptist's goal for KMMO is \$2,500.

## The Echo Principle

Have you ever heard of the Echo Principle? Simply stated, you get back from life what you put into it. This lesson is in Galatians 6:7,9 "Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows." "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." In addition, this truth is found throughout God's Word. Compare Psalm 7:14-15, Ecclesiastes 11:1, Obadiah 15, & Mark 4:24.

Paul explained that the Echo Principle works both ways. Verse 7 deals with the negative dimension. Verse 9 deals with the positive dimension.

EVIL (v.7): About evil it can be said, "You can't get away from it." Sow seeds of evil, and you will reap a harvest of destruction.

The relationship between Joseph and his brothers illustrates this truth. They sold him into slavery and then later, they had to reap the harvest of their deeds. When they thought they would have to tell Jacob that just as Joseph had once been taken away from him, now Benjamin would be as well, they experienced the same torment they had caused Joseph years before.

They thought they had gotten by with their evil deed. The truth is, you don't ever get away with evil. It will stalk you until finally it overcomes you with the inevitable consequences of your action.

GOOD (v. 9): The Echo Principle also has a positive side in relation to good. About good it can be said, "It can't get away from you."

Very often, our evil deeds come back to haunt us. Just as often our good deeds will come back to help us.

In relationship to evil and good, the Echo Principle is in effect. What you send out, will come back to you. So be careful what kind of seeds you plant.

*It is an honor and pleasure to serve here at First Baptist. Please call me if you should ever need me.*

—Bro. Larry

# Connect

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## Attendance 08/23/15

### Morning

Sunday School .....219  
Guests.....4  
Contacts.....88  
Worship Attendance.....284

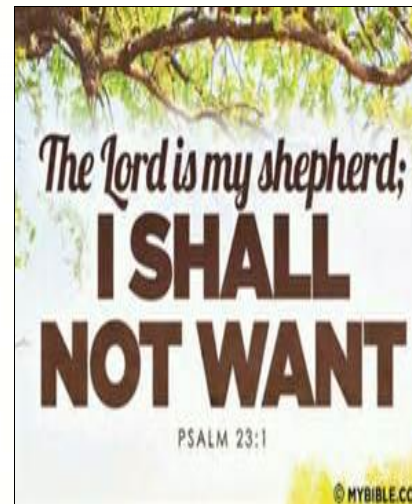
### Evening

Bible Study .....54

### Weekly

Men's' Prayer Breakfast ....17  
Ladies' Bible Study.....8

Livestreaming of our services coming soon!



It is our desire for every person to become a disciple of Jesus Christ who loves God and people. We believe this happens best in a biblical community in which people are learning God's Word, sharing the good news of Jesus Christ, ministering to each other, and serving together. At FBC, **Sunday School** allows you to connect with people in a similar season of life as you seek to live a lifestyle that looks more and more like Jesus. Join us on Sundays at 9 a.m. to find a class that is right for you. For more info, pick up a Sunday School brochure in the vestibule or outside the church office. Questions? Call 205-625-3191 or email Cindy at [cindy@oneontafbc.org](mailto:cindy@oneontafbc.org).

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First Baptist Church exists to demonstrate the love of Christ in our community and our world through worship, evangelism, discipleship, missions, and ministry.



# First Baptist Church OF ONEONTA

*Finding God in Life & Community*

Sunday August 30, 2015

# Celebration OF WORSHIP

## 10:15 AM

Prelude ..... Charlotte Langner  
 Song ..... *10,000 Reasons, Bless The Lord*  
 Prayer ..... Tommy Morgan  
 Welcome/Fellowship ..... Micah Head  
 Song ..... *Come, Now Is The Time To Worship*  
 Hymn No. 2 ..... *Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing*  
 Prayer  
 Giving of Tithes and Offerings  
 Instrumental Praise ..... Charlotte Langner  
 Children are Dismissed to First Kids Worship  
 Song ..... *Worthy Is The Lamb*  
 Song ..... *Word of God Speak*  
 Celebration Choir/Praise Band ..... *Stand*  
 Message ..... Larry Gipson  
 Hymn No. 330 ..... *Amazing Grace*  
 Postlude ..... Sara Towns



**If you purchased a ticket from the church office and signed up to ride the bus, we will be departing at 2:45 p.m. this afternoon. We will stop for dinner after the movie.**

**There will be no evening services.**



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



**SEPTEMBER 6, 2015  
 FOR CHILDREN & STUDENTS**  
**Today, August 30, a bell will ring at 9:45 for those that are being promoted. Teachers please assist these students to their NEW Sunday School class. Have a great year!**



**Mark Your Calendars for FIRST Kids Fun!!**

**Fri-Sept 4-Tailgate Party!** We will meet by the tennis courts at 5:30 p.m. to eat. Then we will go to the stadium gates to hand out footballs, shakers and share scripture. **Invite your friends!**



**COMING TO FBC BEGINNING:**  
**September 13 - 6:00 pm (Morrison)**  
**September 14 -10:00 am (Camp)**  
 This Bible study will bring to light the war around you and challenge you to suit up, stand firm, and secure victory in our life. Join one of these ladies' Bible study groups each Sunday evening or Monday morning in Room 210.

**ATTENTION YOUTH!!!**



**September 6 @ 6:00 p.m.**

## THE VISION IS CONTINUING!

Total Received: **\$34,218.53**  
 (Since 06/01/2014)

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD ITEMS FOR SEPTEMBER:** Undergarments, socks, etc. Drop off at the Donation Station.



Serving begins at 5:15 p.m. Join us for food and fellowship. **Please call the church office for reservations by Tuesday afternoon. Ask about the meal ticket which is being offered.**

**Menu for Sep 2:** Hamburger Steak, Baby Roasted Potatoes, Field Peas, Salad, Rolls, Dessert & Drink.

Children: Hot Dogs, Chips, Dessert & Drink.

**Menu for Sep 9:** Baked Potato Bar, BBQ Pork and Chicken, Salad, Rolls, Dessert & Drink.

Children: Mac and Cheese, Dessert & Drink.

**THANK YOU NOTES** have been received from Bonnie Funderburg, Mary Kay Otts, Patty Murphree, Tom & Susan Griffies, Jimmy & Andrea Register and Kevin & Janna Faust. These notes are on the bulletin board outside the office.

## NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

Have you joined First Baptist Church within the last year? If so, you need to attend a new members class on Sunday, September 6. Also, if you are thinking about becoming a member, this class is for you too. Come and find out about the ministries, beliefs, policies, etc. Lunch and childcare will be provided. Call La'Neia in the church office to make your reservation.

If you would like to send an encouraging word to **Jonathan Gibbons** below is his address: **(No Care Packages - Mail Only)**

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## THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST

### Sunday, August 30

9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 10:15 a.m. Worship  
 2:45 p.m. Bus leaves at 2:45 for the movie ~ *War Room*

### Monday, August 31

10:00 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study (Camp)

### Tuesday, September 1

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast @ Miller's Soda Shoppe

### Wednesday, September 2

5:15 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal  
 6:00 p.m. Praise Band/Children's Graded Choirs  
 6:30 p.m. 180 Youth Room  
 6:45 p.m. Bible Study/Celebration Choir/RAs, GAs, & Mission Friends

### Friday, September 4

5:30 p.m. First Kids Tailgating and Handing Out Shakers at OHS

## TODAY, AUGUST 30, 2015

**Audio** ..... Richard Walker

**Visual** ..... Trey Dedman

**Deacon Visitation Team**..... Kenny Branch & Tommy Morgan

### Nursery Workers

Babies & Toddlers ..... Keith & Melinda Bender  
 2s & 3s ..... Cindy & Emily O'Rear

**Security Team**..... Patrick Woodall

**Welcome Center** ..... Linda Wright, Wayne Bynum & Bob Harvey

**Worship Invitation Assistant**..... Kenny Branch & Belinda Miller

## NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2015

**Audio** ..... Michael Towns

**Visual** ..... Linc Marcum

**Deacon Visitation Team**..... Ken Phillips & Chuck Morrison

### Nursery Workers

Babies & Toddlers ..... JoJo Holt & Deana Pesnell  
 2s & 3s ..... Chris & Janna NeSmith  
 Evening ..... JoJo Holt

**Security Team**..... Donny Tipton

**Welcome Center** ..... Penny Gebbs, Chuck Chambers & Ellis Reid

**Worship Invitation Assistant**..... Bill Hopewell & Judy Camp

## ON THE HORIZON

**Sep 6** 9:00 a.m. Promotion Sunday - Children & Students  
 11:30 a.m. Sunday School/New Member Luncheon  
 6:00 p.m. Youth Game Night

### Sep 7 Labor Day ~ Church Offices & CDC Closed

**Sep 8** 9:00 a.m. Spirits of Praise Rehearsal  
 10:00 a.m. Women on Mission (Green)  
 2:00 p.m. Jesus Bear Committee ~ Conference Room  
 6:30 p.m. Girls' Night Out

**Sep 9** 5:00 p.m. Stewardship Meeting  
 6:45 p.m. Spirits of Praise Rehearsal

**Sep 13** 10:15 a.m. 50 Year Member Recognition Service  
 11:30 a.m. 50 Year Member Recognition Luncheon  
 4:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
 4:30 p.m. Deacons Meeting  
 5:30 p.m. Divorce Care, Big D (Teens) & Divorce 4Kids  
 6:00 p.m. Ladies' Bible Study ~ (Morrison) ~ Rm 210  
*Armor of God* - Priscilla Shirer

**Sep 14** 10:00 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study ~ (Camp) ~ Rm 210  
*Armor of God* - Priscilla Shirer

**Sep 15** 10:00 a.m. Women on Mission (Barron) ~ Charlie B's