

From the Lighter Side of Theology

CHANGING A LIGHT BULB THE CHRISTIAN WAY
How many Christians does it take to change a light bulb?

Charismatic: Only 1

Hands are already in the air.

Pentecostal: 10

One to change the bulb, and nine to pray against the spirit of darkness.

Presbyterians: None

Lights will go on and off at predestined times.

Roman Catholic: None

Candles only.

Baptists : At least 15

One to change the light bulb, and three committees to approve the change and decide who brings the potato salad and fried chicken.

Episcopalians: 3

One to call the electrician, one to mix the drinks and one to talk about how much better the old one was.

Mormons : 5

One man to change the bulb, and four wives to tell him how to do it.

Unitarians:

We choose not to make a statement either in favor of or against the need for a light bulb. However, if in your own journey you have found that light bulbs work for you, you are invited to write a poem or compose a modern dance about your light bulb for the next Sunday service, in which we will explore a number of light bulb traditions, including incandescent, fluorescent, 3-way, long-life and tinted, all of which are equally valid paths to luminescence.

Methodists: Undetermined

Whether your light is bright, dull, or completely out, you are loved. You can be a light bulb, turnip bulb, or tulip bulb. Bring a bulb of your choice to the Sunday lighting service and a covered dish to pass.

Nazarene: 6

One woman to replace the bulb while five men review church lighting policy.

Lutherans: None

Lutherans don't believe in change.

Amish:

What's a light bulb?

Don

Servants 01-08-2012
If you are unable to attend,
please ask someone to serve
in your place.

Children's Moment: Jennifer Britt

Deacons: Mary Ida Timms ~ Jimmy Howard

Ushers: Bucky Davis ~ Blake Smith

Greeters: Gary Black ~ Evelyn Herrington

Nursery AM: Jon and Kathy Powell

Toddlers: Sean and Christa Knowles

Pre-K: Blake and Lynn Smith

Nursery PM: Raina Smith



Our First Baptist Church Family
expresses our deepest sympathy
to the families of
Mrs. Corinne Dykes,
Mr. Hap Jones
and
Mr. Morgan Skipper.



"Young-at-Heart"

Next Friday, January 13 ~ Warner Robins
Old Time Buffet luncheon.
(See Cheryl for details)

Alzheimers Support Group January 19 ~ 6:00 PM

Thursday, January 19 ~ FBC Conference Room

SUNDAY
Library 9:30-10:00 AM
Sunday School 9:45 AM
AM Worship 10:55 AM
Library 5:30-6:00 PM
PM Worship 6:00 PM

First Baptist Church Staff

Donald L. McClung, DMin, Pastor
Carson Brit, Music and Youth Minister
Raina Smith,
Director Children's Weekly Ministries
Cheryl Howard, Organist
Marla Ganto, Pianist
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WEDNESDAY
Library 10:00AM-12:00
4:00-6:00 PM
Prayer Meeting
Youth Bible Study
GAS
and "NOW"
6:30 PM
Sanctuary Choir
Rehearsal 7:30 PM

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This Sunday

Deacon Ordination Service ~ 6:00 PM

Geoff Timms, Mary Ida Timms and Betty West
will be ordained.

Ordination Council Meeting

4:00 PM ~ Conference Room

A church-wide reception honoring our new Deacons and their families

will be held in the fellowship hall immediately
following the ordination service.

(Please bring finger foods plated and ready to serve.)

Deacon Organizational Meeting

Tuesday, January 10 ~ 6:00 PM ~ The Steak House

Quarterly Church Conference

Sunday, January 15 ~ Sanctuary

Attention Youth and Parents

Winter Jam concert

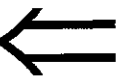
Sunday, January 15 ~ Phillips Arena in Atlanta

Cost will be \$20.00 which covers gas and admission.

We will leave from the church parking lot on Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

Watch for more details during the week.

All Committee Chairs



Please note: We would like for all committee chairs to prepare a written report (update) to give to the church clerk at each quarterly conference that tells of your committee's work during the past quarter. We would also like for you to be present at each quarterly conference (if at all possible). Those giving oral reports should focus on how your committee's work is making a difference in the life of our church and has ministered to our church family and/or our community.

Mrs. Corinne Dykes
Mr. & Mrs. Carter Bulloch
The Human Resources Staff
Roosevelt Warm Springs
Institute for Rehabilitation

Nadine Woods
Tom and Lori Blount
Tommy and Fay Herrington
Melva Stevens
Bill and Susan Conner
Jimmy and Joan Tripp

Mr. & Mrs. Gary Dawson
Bill and Janis Sparrow
J.T. and Patsy Head
Lynn and Larry Harper
Jackie Berryhill SS Class
Douglas and Martha Holder
Catherine P. Johnson
Liz Popwell
Tommy and Nancy Dawson
Al and Lucy Jones
Jane Ballard

Mrs. June Hortman
Bill and Susan Conner
Mr. & Mrs. Gary Dawson
Dick and Dixie Smith
Tom and Lori Blount
Catherine P. Johnson
Liz Popwell

Mr. Terry Cannon
Tom and Lori Blount
Mrs. Martha H. Harvey
Lisa Mays Wagner

Mr. Jim Popwell
Brenda Popwell Conley
Mrs. Nancy Coleman
Liz Popwell

12-25-2011
and
01-01-2012



Mrs. Barbara Hardin

Bill and Susan Conner
Liz Popwell

Mr. John C. Curry

Mr. James F. (Billy) Curry

Peggy C. Chafin & Family

Mr. Olin Hickman

Mr. Gary Hughes

Mrs. Lou Peaden

Bea Hickman

Rev. Tegler Greer

Tommy and Nancy Dawson

Mr. Morgan Skipper

Tommy and Nancy Dawson

Patsy Bennett

Al and Lucy Jones

Mr. Robert Johnson

Annette Johnson

Mrs. Miriam H. Curth

Melva Stevens

Belle W. Anderson

Johnny Anderson

Mae, Piney & George Anderson

Charlotte and Anderson Bridges

Bill and Sandra Anderson

Financial Report December 30, 2011

<u>Budget Receipts</u>		<u>Designated Receipts</u>	
Budget Needs for 1 week	\$ 7,542.60	Building Fund	\$ 6725.00
Budget Received 12-30-11	\$ 10,745.00	Community Missions	\$ 58.00
Beginning Bal 01-01-11	\$ 8,291.03	Lottie Moon Christmas	\$ 100.00
Budget Receipts Y-T-D	\$ 315,383.35	Offering	
Budget Expenditures YTD	\$ 310,645.96	TOTAL	\$ 6,883.00
General Fund Balance	\$ 13,225.92		
as of 12-31-2011			

Building Fund Update

At the end of December 2011, a payment of \$8,717.23 was made. Of this figure \$4,948.21 was applied to the principal and \$3,769.03 was paid in interest, leaving a balance of \$667,773.83.

Financial Report January 1, 2012

<u>Budget Receipts</u>		<u>Designated Receipts</u>	
Budget Needs for 1 week	\$ 7,542.60	Building Fund	\$ 1,306.00
Budget Received 12-11-11	\$ 5,224.50	TOTAL	\$ 1,306.00
Beginning Bal 01-01-11	\$ 13,225.92		
Budget Receipts Y-T-D	\$ 5,224.50		
Budget Expenditures YTD	\$ - 0 -		
General Fund Balance	\$18,453.42		
as of 01-02-12			

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At the end of December 2011, a payment of \$8,717.23 was made. Of this figure \$4,948.21 was applied to the principal and \$3,769.03 was paid in interest, leaving a balance of \$667,773.83.

12-25-2011 and 01-01-2012

Bip and Dianne Bulloch

Douglas and Martha Holder

Lee Anderson

Kylie, Andy & Charlotte Ray

Tracee & Ron Sealy & Family

April & K.C. Goble & Family

Tony Anderson

Charles Anderson

Al Anderson and Family

John Anderson

Dora and Dave Hood

Sarah Lynn & Bruce Johnson & Boys

Marcia and Gene Hardy

Bill and Sandra Anderson

Carson and Jennifer Britt

Bernice Southerland

Jeannie Curry

John Gibson

Our many faithful volunteers

Evelyn Qualls

Sam and Dot Way

Douglas and Martha Holder



Don McClung

Bip and Dianne Bulloch

Bernice Cloy, Birthday

Berta Mae Wright, Birthday

Warren Southerland

Pearl Peacock

Mac Fowler

Annette Johnson

Sarah Beth Barker

Sam Barker

Don and Margaret Davis

Berta Mae Wright, Birthday

Edith Nelson, Birthday

J.T. and Patsy Head

Don and Carol Ann McClung

Evelyn Qualls

Douglas and Martha Holder

News from Carson

I hope that everyone had a restful holiday season. Jennifer and I enjoyed time with family and friends in Savannah. Thanks especially to Marla, Cheryl, Ridge, Belinda, and Jimmy for their leadership during my absence. It is a blessing to be able to be away from church without having to stress that everything goes well here.

It's hard to believe that it's a new year. But I am truly excited to see what the Lord has in store for our church this year. My prayer is that we as a church will seek out His will for us as the body of Christ. During this time of the year I'm reminded of Jeremiah 29:11 which says "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." This verse gives me the encouragement to know that God is in control if we will give our life to Him. This year let's choose to prayerfully seek out His will for our lives and our church.

YOUTH and PARENTS: If you still want to sign up for our Disciple Now retreat on January 27-29 I need to know no later than next Wednesday, January 11.

Also, Sunday January 15 is the Winter Jam concert at Phillips arena in Atlanta. We will head to Atlanta Sunday afternoon around 2:30. Cost will be \$20 which covers gas and admission. More details will come within the next week.

I'll see you all on Sunday!

Carson

THANK YOU!

Dear FBC members,

So many thank-yous we send from the family of Mrs. Lola C. Owens, who also was Nadine C. Woods sister. The outpouring of love and support you have given us has been a blessing.

Rev. McClung, a special thanks to you for being there with me when I lost my mother...your prayer was a comfort.

Love to all of you,

Nancy O. Selph

2012 Women's Conference

Featuring Phyllis Foy

January 28, 2012 ~ First Baptist Church, Rochelle, GA

Registration 9:15-9:45 AM

Conference begins at 10:00 AM

Registration \$10.00

Casual Dress ~ Lunch Provided ~ No Nursery

Registration Forms must be received by January 20, 2012

(Call Evelyn at the church office (892-9076)

to obtain a registration form.)