

# First Baptist Church of Inverness

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## From Donnie's Desk...

Fall is my favorite time of year. Growing up in NC, it was always a special time filled with crisp autumn air, beautiful leaves, festivals and day trips to the mountains. Football was in the air and Fall Festivals were on the horizon.

We may not have the crisp, cool air and beautiful leaves here in Central Florida, but Fall is still my favorite time of year! This Fall is going to be fantastic here at FBC Inverness!! Let me highlight a few things for us...

First, get connected to a Connection Class. There are several to choose from and each offers an opportunity to get deeper in the Word and connect more closely with other Believers. It's not too late to get connected, so find a class and get plugged in on Sunday nights at 6:00pm. And don't forget the Wednesday Mid Week Worship service. The response has been wonderful already and it just keeps getting better! Even better...come to the Bread Basket Café for dinner at 5:00pm and feed your body before you feed your soul!



Operation Christmas Child kicks off Sunday October 2 in the morning service. Larry and Sherri White are doing a phenomenal job of heading up this vital ministry. Last year we sent out more than 800 boxes to children around the globe. This year the goal is 1000 boxes from FBC! In India alone, over 60,000 children responded to the gospel because of the shoe boxes sent through this ministry!

Mercy's Well will be with us on October 9 in the morning and evening services! You do not want to miss this day. They are an up and coming gospel group from NC that will minister to and bless you through music.

Our goal is to fill this place both morning and evening! And the only way this will happen is if you and I invite our friends. So, let's break 600 in the morning and evening of October 9! You will be blessed!

Our Men's Breakfast is coming up on October 15 at 8:30am. Guys, bring a friend and an appetite for food, fellowship and devotional time. It will be a great morning to encourage one another and just be together as Christian men.

And don't forget Fall Festival on Sunday night October 30! This event always brings 2000-3000 people to the campus of FBC.. There will be food, games, booths, special guests, and lots of good fun! If you can help, please see Scott or call the church office.

And then November arrives with all the activities leading up to the Holidays. I am pumped!

So, here is my encouragement to you....Identify and invite friends to church with you. They will be blessed and you will be blessed as well. Plug in somewhere to serve! There are so many opportunities! The truth is we are... Called to Follow Compelled to share and Contagious in our Faith and Love!

Sharon and I love ya'll and are blessed to take this journey with you. Blessings,



## Thoughts from Our Youth Pastor...

Fall is here and everything is in full swing. One of my favorite things about fall is football season. It doesn't get me amped like basketball does, but after 162 games of baseball I am ready for something a little more action packed. I think about football and my favorite part about it is the long pass. I just love it. My least favorite part about football is the huddles. There is just something about a bunch of guys in tight pants with their arms around each other that just does not excite me, but it is important. It is when the coach calls the play and it is communicated with the rest of the players, but we must keep sight of the fact the huddle is not the game, it is not the main point, or where all the action is. What would happen if you turned on the game and you watched your team huddle up and then run to the sideline? At first, you would probably think you missed something; maybe a time out or an injury, but what if they kept doing that over and over again? You would say that is pretty stupid or lame. I believe to a lot of people this is what the church in America looks like. We huddle up and the pastor calls a play from the playbook (Bible), and we get all excited but instead of running the play we all go home and look forward to huddling again. The world is waiting for us to do something besides huddle. We make a lot of noise and get real excited about the play in the huddle, but many times we fumble before the play even begins. The Bible says we are to be in the world but not of the world. Even though this isn't a game there are still things to be won or lost. Souls are at stake and while we are huddling people are dying without Christ. That is why the world is frustrated and confused with the church. If we believe the Bible and what Jesus said, then why don't we have a sense of urgency in running the play. We were not meant to be spectators in this spiritual battle; we were designed and called to participate. It is time to get involved and engage in the battle. We were meant to be more than a monastery. It is time for the people of God to become relevant in today's culture. We need to huddle, but we must remember that is not the main point. We must execute the plays and plan God has for us.

Pastor Scott

*HE Must Increase, but I Must Decrease*

*John 3:30*



### Youth Connection Class Continue

Sundays at 6pm and also for those working in AWANA the same study will be held Monday after School then after Bible Study Mondays we help feed the Homeless in Hernando!

Casting Crown Concert November 25th-Be watching for more info to come!

Discipleship Now weekend January 27-29-More details to follow!

Pastor Scott can be reached by email at:  
[scott@fbcinverness.com](mailto:scott@fbcinverness.com)



**mercy's well**  
IN CONCERT

Free Concert at 6pm October 9th.  
Doors open at 5:30pm

For more information visit them on the web at: [WWW.MERCYSWELL.COM](http://WWW.MERCYSWELL.COM)

**Mercy's Well  
will be with us  
In Morning & Evening  
Worship  
October 9<sup>th</sup>!**

**You don't want to miss it!**

*The Worshiper's  
Corner*



**Christmas Music Rehearsals**

October 22nd 9am to noon-Second Half  
 November 26th 9am to noon-Full Rehearsal

If you would like to be a part of this year's Christmas Musical "The Night Before Christmas" then join us!  
 If you would like to help with the tech crew, or the drama team contact Brian York.

**Choir Practice is Sunday Afternoon from 4-5:15pm!**

Worship Choir is for any age from Youth to our Senior Saints!  
 You do not have to read music to sing in the choir!

**Praise Band and Praise Team Vocalist Meet Wednesdays at 7:30pm.**

***Childcare is provided during practice times for Worship Ministry participants with children! Brian's email: [brian@fbcinverness.com](mailto:brian@fbcinverness.com)***

## Fall Festival October 30th from 6pm to 8:30pm



Trunk or Treat, Games, Food, Inflatable Bounce Houses and other family fun!

This is one of our Largest Events of the year and we can't do it without YOU!!!



You can sign up to volunteer in the church foyer or contact Pastor Scott to find out how YOU can help!

Email: [Scott@fbcinverness.com](mailto:Scott@fbcinverness.com)



**First Baptist Inverness Awana Clubs  
Sunday Nights from 5:15 to 7:15pm !!**

- ♦ **Awana Yard Sale**-We have begun collecting items for the 2nd Annual Awana Benefit Yard Sale. Contact Rob or Kris Cusack for more info at 352-409-6588
- ♦ **Awana Child Sponsor/Scholarship**— Awana cost \$40 per child for the entire year. This price will cover dues and uniforms and books! We have several children who need financial help. Many of the children in need come from unchurched homes. Help us bring Jesus into their lives! Please see Kris Cusack or place an envelope marked AWANA SCHOLARSHIPS in the offering plate or send it to the Church Office.
- ♦ **There will be no AWANA on October 9th or October 30th!**



## FBC PRAISE KIDS



Praise Kids Wednesday Nights from 6pm to 7:30pm

For children in Kindergarten to 5<sup>th</sup> grade!

Bible study, Scripture verses, crafts and of course... MUSIC & MOTIONS!!

We need help in this ministry!! Please contact Shelley at the church office

Or send an E-mail for more info to: [shelley@fbcinverness.com](mailto:shelley@fbcinverness.com)



Jerry  
and



## This Month in the Spotlight... Jerry & Suzanne McFarlin

When our long time Treasurer Emery Hensley moved away we were so blessed to have Jerry and Suzanne McFarlin step up and fill this vital position for the financial health of our Church Body.

Not only do they serve as our Treasurers, Trustees, and as members of the Kitchen Committee, but they serve as Office Administrators and work closely with our office support staff, volunteers, and ministry leadership.

We are thankful for their selfless acts of service. They set a great example for us all to find a place to use the gifts God has given us and to serve Him with gladness!

# Thank You...

*Dear Church Family,*

I would like to thank you all for the love, support and prayers that you gave my family and I while Jason and John were in the hospital. God has been so good to us and He has blessed us in so many ways!

*Love in Christ!, Melody, John, Jason Supernaw*

Sam and I want to thank our church family for all the prayers, visits, phone calls and cards over the past 4 1/2 years. I also want to thank the Women's Ministry for the cup full of goodies! We appreciate all your generous offers to help. We love you all very much. May God bless you all.

*Sam & Mary Curtis*

I would like to express a heartfelt thank you to the men and women of the Love Dept. for their hard work and dedication in making our VBS a great success. We were able to express God's love to over 100 clients and staff of the Key Training Center. We are blessed by your service to those less fortunate.

*Jim Abram, Love Dept. VBS Director*

## In the Library...



**NEW ADDITIONS:** *The Thorn* by Beverly Lewis (F)—The story of two Amish sisters divided by one sister's impulsive marriage to an outsider. *Deadly Pursuit* by Irene Hannon (F)—Social worker Allison Taylor has a passion for protecting children, but now it seems she needs protecting. *After You Believe* by N.T. Wright (241.4)—a good primer for anyone who wants to know who Jesus is and what it means to follow him in today's world. *The Last Christian Generation* by Josh McDowell (241.621)—The majority of young people today no longer embrace true Christianity. What can we do about it? *Canvas* (DVD) – When Mary's mental illness puts herself and her family in jeopardy, her husband Joe must do something about it. *Fielder's Choice* (DVD)—Philip Fielder is given temporary custody of his autistic eight-year-old nephew, whom he barely knows. A man devoted to only furthering his career has difficult choices to make.

**MARRIAGE—KEEPING IT ON TRACK:** *Love for a Lifetime* by James Dobson (248.84); *How To Be Happy Though Married* by Tim LaHaye (306.8); *The Five Love Languages* by Gary Chapman (646.7); *The Ten Commandments of Marriage* by Ed Young (248.8); *If You Want Breakfast in Bed, Sleep in the Kitchen* by Dave Meurer (248.4); *Fireproof: Never Leave Your Partner Behind* (DVD); *Have a New Husband By Friday* by Dr. Kevin Leman (646.78).

**OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS:** There is more to October than Halloween: October is National Book Month; National Cookie Month, Crime Prevention Month, National Stamp Collection Month. October 1903, the first game of the first baseball World Series was played between the Pittsburgh Pirates and the Boston Pilgrims, Celebrate Columbus Day on October 10. October 14, 1979, Sony introduced the 1<sup>st</sup> Walkman, over three billion were sold in the first 20 years.

# FBC Ministries...



## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD 2011 GOAL IS 1000 SHOE BOXES!**

Pastor Donnie has challenged us to increase our goal from 800 to 1000! This is a big month for Operation Christmas Child. Many of you have been filling shoe boxes to bring the good news of Jesus to the hurting children around the world. Please pick up a brochure in the church foyer and fill a box. Boxes are available, see Sherry White for info.

## **PRIME TIMERS...**

***Game Night:*** meets the first Tuesday Night of every month at 6pm. Bring finger foods to share!

***Health Clinic:*** BW Pharmacy will be at FBC on October 3rd from 2 to 6pm for Flu Shots & Pneumonia Shots. Medicare and Insurance accepted or payment by cash or by check made out to BW.



## **Christian Service Ministry**

### **CSM- Help those in our community that are in need...**

Thank you for your contributions! Please continue to donate to CSM ! Volunteers are needed to help keep our doors open!! Volunteer 3 hours a month and share Jesus to those in need! Also any men who can help once a month on Wednesday or Thursday Mornings to help pick up and unload the food delivery. Contact Jackie Dracy for info!



### **Creative Card Making...**

FBC Card Makers will meet from 11am to 2pm in the Youth Room on: Nov. 16th and Jan. 18th. Please call Nancy Shaner-476-6504. for information on supplies needed and to reserve your spot.



### **HOMEBOUND MINISTRY**

Those interested in bringing joy to the homebound are welcome to come join this ministry. If you know of a home bound person in need of visitation or want to be a part of visitation of our home bound please contact Homebound Ministry Leader Frank Swasey.

**Be watching for info on the Next Homebound Meeting .**



**Monday Night Outreach at 6:30pm.** Contact Jo Woody and get involved! Help bring in the Harvest of Souls for the Kingdom of God!

**Our Military Service Men and Women** - FBCI is sending cards and care packages to those currently serving in the Armed Forces. Jo Woody has asked that you please forward up to date military names and addresses to Shelley at the office or by email



### **Ministry of Warmth Meets Every Thursday -**

We meet at 6pm on Thursdays for Crochet/Knitting. Ministry Leader Sue Coolman and some of our ladies make hats and other items that are sent with our missionaries to distribute all over the world!

# FBC Ministries...



- ◆ The ladies of the Women's Ministry wish to recognize and honor Pastor Donnie and Pastor Scott during Pastor Appreciation Month.
- ◆ Women's Ministry Leadership Team Meeting will be Sunday, October 16th at 3 PM.
- ◆ We invite you to join us as we encourage one another to be physically and spiritually healthy vessels for Christ. We have Bible Study and Devotions and meet three times a week for a variety of aerobic workouts for any fitness level! Come Move and Shake with us!

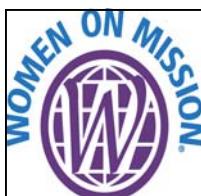
**ZUMBA-Advanced Mondays and Thursdays, Beginners Tuesdays**—Latin Style Dancing Workout! Smooth soles on your shoes are recommended. Come let the rhythm move you!

**TAEBO- Tuesdays**— Kick Boxing Style Workout! Sneakers with good grip are recommended.

**All Groups are video led. There is no charge and we meet in the Youth Room at 6:30pm and finish around 7:30pm** Shelley Smith is the facilitator and can be reached at the church office if you have any questions. **Beginners Group available Tuesdays- please contact Shelley Smith.**

**BIBLE STUDY**— Sunday Nights at 6pm in Room 183. For Spiritual Health come meet with us!

For more info on FBC Inverness Movers and Shakers please contact Shelley at the church office 352-726-1252 or by email:[Shelley@fbcinverness.com](mailto:Shelley@fbcinverness.com)



**Next WOM Meeting will be October 18th at 10am in Youth Room**

All ladies of the church are invited to attend and help support several local and international missions!



*The Bread Basket Café ~*  
**Open on Wednesdays at 4:30pm to 5:45pm for your dining pleasure.**

**This Month's Menu: October 5th-Stuffed Shells, October 12th Chicken Enchiladas, October 19th Pot Roast, October 26th Fried Chicken**

Bread Basket Café needs a few more good chefs!

TO VOLUNTEER: #352 464-0501 or EMAIL~[dawn.theroux@era.com](mailto:dawn.theroux@era.com)

## **Giving...YTD Through August 2011**

Revenue	\$433,203
Expenditures	\$436,935
-	(\$3,732)

◆ Rounded to nearest dollar

# Financially...

# The First Baptist Good News...

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Name	Birthday	Name	Birthday
Locke, Kathy	10/1	Radford, Marjorie	10/17
Kelly, Harlan	10/1	Moore, Steven (Steven)	10/17
Bender, Brett	10/1	Tsavaris, Diane	10/17
Consuegra, George	10/2	Seagle, Donald (Donnie)	10/17
Meyer,, Jacob	10/2	Mills, Samantha	10/17
Wulkan, Mary	10/3	Wear, Lois	10/18
Farr, Betty (Ruth)	10/3	Trespalacios, Cynthia	10/18
Monroe,, Janice	10/3	Jernigan, Cecil	10/19
Brock, Lester	10/4	Harbison, Jordan	10/19
Greene, (Thomas) Patrick (Patrick)	10/4	Wilhelm, Mary	10/20
Keith, Julie	10/4	Swasey, Sheila	10/20
Giddens, Belva	10/5	Porter, Cleveland (Conrad)	10/21
Soletto, Raymond	10/5	Edwards, Thomas	10/21
Gillen, Coretha	10/6	McBride, Josh	10/22
Shaffer, Vance	10/6	Vick, Ray	10/23
Ruska, Linda	10/6	Allen (Higdon), Linda	10/23
Jordan, Clarice	10/7	Long, Josh	10/23
Harrison, Traci	10/7	Mercer, Jackie	10/24
Ballard, Jessy	10/7	Hensley, Emery	10/25
Smith, Lorraine	10/8	Vasquez, Lisa	10/25
Snyder, Wayne	10/8	Cernich, Angela	10/25
Eddy, Deborah	10/8	Godsey, Mary	10/26
Ramsey, John	10/9	Abram, Mary Ellen	10/26
Spratt, A. J.	10/10	Cusack, Robert (Rob)	10/26
Thompson, Jerry	10/11	Devore, Andie	10/26
Pullen, Frank	10/12	Dodd, Lois	10/27
Everett, Fred	10/12	Williams, Delores (Dee)	10/27
Adkisson, Jeanie	10/12	Jones, Don	10/27
Connelly, Savannah	10/12	Hoff, Brenda (Faye)	10/27
Trespalacios, Zaida	10/13	Sims, Tyler	10/27
Smolensky, Leanne	10/13	White, Jo	10/28
Hurd, Noel	10/13	Sims, Charlotte	10/28
Venero, Victoria	10/13	Abernathy, John	10/28
Cooper, Curtis (Ray)	10/14	Friess, William (Bill)	10/29
Kelly, Delores	10/14	Allwood, Robert (Bob)	10/29
Meyer, Gerry	10/14	McDaniel, Brianna	10/29
Delnigro, Linda	10/15	Bitters, Samantha	10/29
Robertson, David	10/15	Santana, Ted	10/30
Ballard, Austin	10/15	Johnson, Danielle	10/30
Jasper, Maxine	10/16	Korinek, Briana	10/30
		Bush, Christine	10/31
		Harrison, Tim	10/31



## Memorials and Honors

### FOR DEBT REDUCTION

**IMO: Raymond Gavin**  
From: Faye, Barry & John Gavin

### TO GENERAL FUND

**IMO: Percy Beal**  
From:Jackie Mercer  
From:Robin Moffatt  
From:Bonnie Steffen

**IMO: Irene Johnson**  
From: Cleve & Vicki Croft  
From: Frances Castel