WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

We are honored to have you as our guest! We pray God will do a life-changing work in you today! So that we may have a record of your visit, please fill out a Connection Card (located in the seat back pocket) and place in the offering plate. You may also list your prayer concerns and our staff will be honored to pray for you this week.

Following the 9:00am service, we invite you to join us for a time of fellowship and a light breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. On your way out today, please stop by our Welcome Desk (located in the Welcome Lobby) and pick up a special gift we have for you.

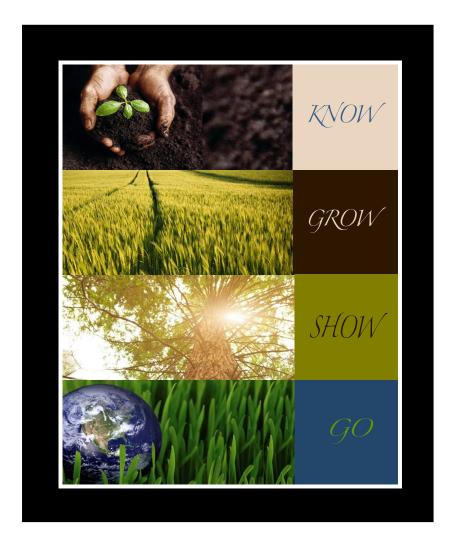
If you are wondering what is your next step to getting involved in the ministry of First Baptist Church of the Islands, we encourage you to join one of our small group Bible Studies. Please check out our "Ministry Opportunities" board (in the Welcome Lobby) for further details on times and locations.

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Tuesday, August 11 Sunday, August 9 5:15am The Ironworks 9:00am Worship Service & Sunday School 10:45am Worship Service, Sunday School & KidLife Worship Wednesday, August 12 2:00pm The Day of Prayer for Students 4:00pm Volunteer Leader Appreciation and Training 6:30pm Adult Prayer Service Monday, August 10 6:30pm Awana Kickoff Thursday, August 13 6:30pm Visitation Ministry 5:30am BodyCombat 7:00pm Adult Choir Rehearsal **GriefShare** GRIFF SHARE GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk with you through one of life's most difficult experiences—the loss of a loved one! You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. This 13 week class will begin on Wednesday, August 26 at 6:30pm. Cost for material is \$10. Space is limited so sign up today in the Welcome Lobby. GriefShare will be offered again during the DIVE Semester in January of 2016. August 2nd Attendance & Giving 9:00am: 146 10:45: 373 General Budget: \$30,491.38 **Beyond Measure: \$1,745.00** New Members: Sue Harper SERMON NOTES

Volunteer Leader Appreciation and Training

If you volunteer on either Sunday morning or Wednesday evening in our Preschool, Children's, or Student Ministries, please join us today from 4:00-6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall for an Appreciation/Training event. We would like to let you know how much we appreciate all you do to make these ministries possible. Truly, we could not do what we do without you! Thank you!

The Day of Prayer for Students

Today from 2:00-3:00pm parents, students, teachers, and others will meet for a time of prayer for students and faculty as the school year begins. We will meet at Islands High School and travel to Marshpoint Elementary, Coastal Middle, and May Howard Elementary. If you are unable to meet at the schools, please pray right where you are for the new school year and for all those involved.

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)

MOPS will have a bake sale today (located just outside the Fellowship Hall) to help support their ministry. During the markly of C their ministry. During the months of September through May, FBCI hosts MOPS Meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. There are opportunities to serve within this ministry as Mentor Moms and Moppett Volunteers. For further details on MOPS contact Rebecca Sandquist at r_bovino@hotmail.com/912.429.8774 or Amber Young at baynegirl@hotmail.com/704.254.1209.

Merge Event

Next Sunday, August 16, FBCI will host a Merge Event with coffee & desserts. It will be a drop-in event and is designed for all new members, recent attenders, and visitors over the past 6 months. You will have an opportunity to meet our church staff and get information on your next step to becoming more involved at FBCI. If you fall into any of the above categories, we invite you to bring your family and join us next Sunday between 6:30-7:30pm.

Backpack Buddies

Backpack Buddies is a program to help ensure that undernourished school children have enough food/snacks for the weekend. FBCI is partnering with Marshpoint Elementary to supply weekend food for 40+ children each school week. As you do your shopping each week, please pick up an item and bring to the Welcome Lobby on Sundays. See bulletin Board for items needed.

Awana and Revolution Kickoffs

Our Children's and Student Ministries are preparing to kick back into gear for the fall. The Awana Kickoff will be August 12 at 6:30pm and the Revolution Kickoff will be August 19 at 6:30pm. For more information on these exciting ministries, contact the church office.

Stephen Ministry

Stephen On Tuesday, September 1, we will begin training our first group of Stephen Ministers to be MINISTRY Jesus' hands and feet to those hurting in our church. To learn more about Stephen Ministry, pick up a brochure and application in the Welcome Lobby. To apply online and/or see stories about the impact Stephen Ministry has on hurting people, go to our website at www.fbcislands.com.