

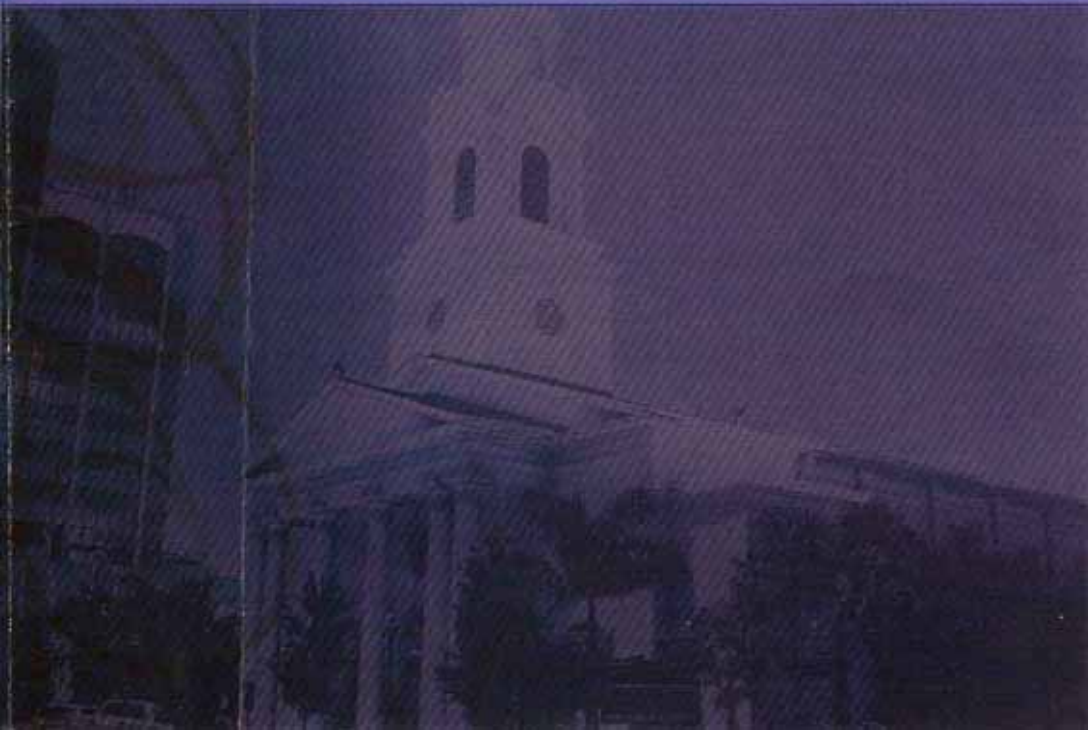
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"Every hope for the human race is based upon the assumption that the nature of man can be changed from what it is to what it ought to be. Were the character of the individual static, all hope for the world would perish instantly."

A.W. Tozer

In all of life, the thought, *"I can become different"* is the seedbed of hope. The gospel of Jesus Christ is the one true source for such transformation and change. Jesus came preaching and teaching that the *"kingdom is at hand."* His message taught us that we need not live in our own personal hells or prisons. He came to release captives like you and me to a world of possibility and potential.

If you are in the grip of some great depression, problem or struggle, understand that you can be liberated by the power of God made manifested in the person of Jesus Christ. Our Lord conquered death and the grave, the final enemy, so says the scriptures. If this means anything, it means that there is nothing that is beyond His ability to overcome. Every aspect of our very existence is held together by His being. In all of our vain trying we miss the point that He is there all the time, ready to uphold and strengthen our hand.

In these trying days of terrorists and wars half a world away, as well as our own personal challenges, to know that

we are safe in the Father's hand is to reflect the quiet confidence of the Lord Jesus who knew all too well that the Father never fails us. This brings to mind the old hymn ***Trust & Obey*** by John Sammis.

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

*Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud
in the skies, but His smile quickly
drives it away; Not a doubt or a
fear, not a sigh or a tear, Can abide
while we trust and obey .*

This hymn was inspired by the testimony of a young, unlearned follower of Christ who stood during an evangelistic service by Dwight Moody. The young man stood to speak, and it soon became clear he knew little Christian doctrine. But he finished by saying, "I'm not quite sure—but I'm going to trust, and I'm going to obey." Daniel Towner, who was in the meeting, jotted down the words, and gave them to John Sammis. May the words of this anonymous young man decades ago continue to live in our hearts as we trust and obey our gracious Lord in the midst of all that life brings our way.

Thanks for making a difference,

Bro. Bill

Join us on Wednesday,
September 8, 2010 as we
celebrate the Lord's Supper
in our Mid-Week Prayer
Meeting, held at 6:00 p.m.
in the First Baptist Office
Annex, First Floor.



2010-2011 Women on Mission Kickoff Meeting & Luncheon

Tuesday, September 14, 2010
11:00 A.M.
FirstSarasota Chapel

Speaker: Jacquelyn Paulk
Director, Newtown SOAR Project

Music: Vicki Elmore

Mission Project: Bring school supplies for children attending the SOAR Project



Singing Christmas Tree Preview

Sept. 10
@ 7:00 p.m.



FBC Eighth Annual Dennis Gentry Charity Golf Tournament for Benevolence

Saturday, Oct. 2
1:00 PM Shotgun Start

Entry Fee: \$70.00
(golf, cart, range balls)

Hole Sponsorship:
\$100.00



PrimeTimers
2010-2011
Kickoff Breakfast
Thursday,
September 9, 2010
8:30 a.m. - FBC Office
Annex - Cost: \$6.00

Sign up in Bible Study or call FBC Office
941-365-2846

Preschool Choir
Begins Once Again
Wednesday,
September 15
@ 6:00 p.m.



FBC Students (Middle School, High School, College) - Come and **ROCK OUT** at Walt Disney World's Night of Joy, this year featuring artists such as Mercy Me, Third Day, Family Force Five, Britt Nicole and Lecrae.

Date: September 11,
Time: 4 p.m. - 1 a.m.
Cost: \$45.00 + a meal



Students will meet at 1:00 p.m. on September 11 at the FBC Family Life Center, camp out for the remainder of the night at the Family Life Center after the event concludes, and attend Sunday Service and Bible Study together the next morning.

Parent and student meeting Wednesday, September 1 @ 7:30 p.m. All authorization forms (notarized) must accompany payment to register.



Love coffee and want to help those going on the 2010 Singing Christmas Tree Mission Trip to Germany? Contact the FBC Office about purchasing Pelican Pete's Coffees - a variety of blends & flavors available!

EVENTS

SCHEDULE

SUNDAY	Pastor's Early Bird Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
September 5	Contemporary Praise Service – Baptism - Chase Causey	9:00 a.m.
	Alpha Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
	Koinonia Cafe – FLC	10:10 a.m.
	Triumphant Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
	Omega Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
	WWSB-TV Broadcast – Channel 7	10:30 a.m.
MONDAY	Office Closed – Labor Day	
September 6		
TUESDAY	Mother's Morning Out	9:00 a.m.
September 7	Women on Mission Sewing Group - 2nd Floor, Sanctuary	9:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
September 8	Melva's Kitchen – <i>Pot Roast</i>	5:00 p.m.
	Ladies Beth Moore Bible Study – <i>Jesus, the One & Only</i> – Room S-31	5:30 p.m.
	Mid-Week Prayer & Praise – Lord's Supper	6:00 p.m.
	Wednesday Night Men's Bible Study - S-32	6:00 p.m.
	Children's Choir - Children 1st - 5th Grades	6:00 p.m.
	FirstSarasota Student Ministry – Mark's Feed Store	
	Middle, High School & College Students – Food	6:00 p.m.
	Middle, High School & College – Worship	6:15 p.m.
	Middle, High School & College – Student Groups	7:00 p.m.
	FirstTouch Ministry – Team 3	7:00 p.m.
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	PrimeTimers Breakfast - 1st Floor Annex	8:30 a.m.
September 9		
FRIDAY	Wedding Rehearsal – Caprill Sherwood & Kyle Hembree	5:00 p.m.
September 10	Singing Christmas Tree Preview – 1st Floor Annex	7:00 p.m.
SATURDAY	Students - <i>Night of Joy</i> - Orlando - Meet at FLC	1:00 p.m.
September 11	Wedding - Caprill Sherwood & Kyle Hembree	5:00 p.m.
SUNDAY	Pastor's Early Bird Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
September 12	Contemporary Praise Service	9:00 a.m.
	Alpha Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
	Koinonia Cafe – FLC	10:10 a.m.
	Triumphant Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
	Omega Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
	WWSB-TV Broadcast – Channel 7	10:30 a.m.
	SCT Rehearsal – Chapel	5:30 p.m.
	Deacons Meeting - 1st Floor Annex	7:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	Mother's Morning Out	9:00 a.m.
September 14	Women on Mission Sewing Group – 2nd Floor, Sanctuary	9:00 a.m.
	Ladies Small Group Bible Study – <i>Esther</i> , by Beth Moore 1st Floor Annex	9:00 a.m.
	Women on Mission – Meeting & Luncheon – Chapel	11:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
September 15	Melva's Kitchen – <i>Pork</i>	5:00 p.m.
	Ladies Beth Moore Bible Study – <i>Jesus, the One & Only</i> – Room S-31	5:30 p.m.
	Mid-Week Prayer & Praise	6:00 p.m.
	Wednesday Night Men's Bible Study – Room S-32	6:00 p.m.
	Preschool Choir - Ages 4 through Kindergarten	6:00 p.m.
	Children's Choir - Children 1st - 5th Grades	6:00 p.m.
	FirstSarasota Student Ministry – Mark's Feed Store	
	Middle, High School & College Students – Food	6:00 p.m.
	Middle, High School & College – Worship	6:15 p.m.
	Middle, High School & College – Student Groups	7:00 p.m.
	FirstTouch Ministry – Team 4	7:00 p.m.
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.
SUNDAY	Pastor's Early Bird Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
September 19	Contemporary Praise Service	9:00 a.m.
	Alpha Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
	Koinonia Cafe – FLC	10:10 a.m.
	Triumphant Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
	Omega Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
	WWSB-TV Broadcast – Channel 7	10:30 a.m.
	New Member/Guest Luncheon – 1st Floor Annex	Noon
	SCT Rehearsal – Chapel	5:30 p.m.
	All Students – See You at the Pole Rally	6:00 p.m.

WORSHIP

9:00 A.M. – Contemporary Service September 5, 2010

Choruses

Maranatha

**“Worthy, O Worthy Are You, Lord”
“Jesus Shall Take The Highest Honour”
“Soften My Heart, Lord”
“Do Something New, Lord”
“I Am The God That Healeth Thee”**

Baptism

Chase Causey

Special Music

Pastor Eric Want

Message

Pastor Bill Hild

Offertory

Roselia Milburn

Presentation of New Members

Pastor Bill Hild

10:30 A.M. – Traditional Service September 5, 2010

Prelude

Sandra Lawler

Celebration of Welcome, Hymn #177

Congregation

“There’s Something About That Name”

Call to Worship, Responsive Reading #674

“Praise And Adoration”

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Bill Hild

Congregational Worship, Hymn #4

Congregation

“To God Be The Glory”

Choral Worship

Sanctuary Choir /

Orchestra

“Realms Of Glory Bright”

Congregational Worship, Hymn #136

Congregation

“Are You Washed In The Blood?”

Pastoral Welcome

Pastor Bill Hild

Musical Worship

Holly DeWitt

Scriptural Reading

Congregation Stands

Message

Pastor Bill Hild

Hymn of Decision - Hymn #317

Congregation

“Only Trust Him”

Offertory Prayer

John Newsome

Offertory

Sandra Lawler

Presentation of New Members

Pastor Bill Hild



FirstSarasota extends its deepest sympathies to the family and friends of Mary Counts, who passed away on Tuesday in Sarasota, Florida.

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Our Deacons are available if there is a need for ministry. Please feel free to call.

Week of 9/5 - 9/11

Glen Hamilton (371-1575)

Week of 9/12 - 9/18

Dan Bailey (921-4184)

Week of 9/19 - 9/25

Pat Wilson (359-9754)

Attendance - August 29, 2010

Bible Study

447

Morning Worship

9:00 - 224

10:30 - 420

Total 644

First Report - August 29, 2010

Weekly Budget Goal \$35,490.78

Budget Receipts \$35,806.00

Budget Goal YTD \$1,242,177.30

Budget Receipts YTD \$1,111,266.67

Designated Receipts YTD \$151,819.20

Embracing the Challenge Report

Today \$240.00

To Date \$2,741,467.24

REMEMBER OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBER WITH A CALL, CARD, OR VISIT

Ed McGhee
6507 Draw Lane
Sarasota, FL 34238
941-925-7513



Flowers for Sunday, September 5 are provided by Bob & Joyce Willis in loving memory of Johnny Johnson.

Flowers for Sunday, September 12 are provided by Debra Pitell in loving memory of her husband, Gene Pitell.

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