



FIRST BAPTIST ST. MARYS, GA

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FEBRUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER



Calling all FBC Ladies!
Baby Shower for
Amanda Harper
And Aries Richmond

February 2nd, 3:00pm in the Fellowship Hall
Amanda will welcome baby boy and Aries will welcome a baby girl. Please see FBCSM Membership Facebook Page for links to their Baby Registries.



FBC Youth are collecting items for an upcoming yard sale fundraiser. If you have some great stuff you are tired of stepping over please consider donating. We have a place to store your donations so just let me know and we will make arrangements. Contact Tim Griffith is FBC Youth Director, his number is 912-552-2258. Thanks!



Parents Night Out - February 15th
5:00pm - 8:00pm
The kids always have a blast so you can share an uninterrupted night out.



Vacation Bible School Interest Meeting
Sunday, February 23rd, immediately following Morning Worship. If you are interested in serving in this year's Bible School, please plan on attending. This year's theme is 'EGYPT, Joseph's Journey From Prison to Palace'



**ROYAL
AMBASSADORS**

**RA's & GA's
Wednesday's at 6:30pm**



Royal Ambassadors and Girls in Action, are for kid's in 1st - 5th grade. Bring your child and let FBC teach them about Missions. They will love it.



**Senior Adult Covered Dish Dinner
February 20th at 6:00pm
Bring a dish to share and enjoy
some time together.**

From the Heart of the Pastor

Dear Church Family,
February can bring thoughts of love as we see hearts, flowers, and reminders of Valentine's Day all around us. But as followers of Christ, love is more than just a seasonal focus; it is a daily calling. Jesus' words in John 13:34-35 remind us, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

This February, I want to encourage us as a church family to be intentional in how we love each other and those around us. Here are a few ways we can do this:

Pray for One Another — One of the greatest acts of love is lifting others up in prayer. Take time to pray specifically for those in our church family, for their needs, and for their spiritual growth. Let someone know you're praying for them; it can be a tremendous encouragement.

Serve One Another — Galatians 5:13 reminds us, "Through love serve one another." Look for ways to serve someone in need this month. It might be a word of encouragement, helping with a task, or simply being present for someone who needs a listening ear.

Forgive One Another — Loving intentionally means extending grace. Colossians 3:13 tells us to "bear with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgive each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive." Ask God to help you let go of bitterness and extend His love through forgiveness.

Share the Gospel — The greatest love we can show is to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Let's be intentional about inviting others to experience the hope and salvation we have in Him.

As we focus on loving intentionally, remember that we do not do this in our own strength. God has poured His love into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:5). His love enables us to love others as He has loved us.

This month, I challenge you to ask God to show you specific ways you can love those in your home, our church, and our community. Imagine the impact if each of us committed to living out Christ's love daily! Together, we can be a light that points others to Him.

In His Love,
Pastor Gary



Our church has an account with this great resource. There are Bible studies, movies, books and all sorts of great material that you can access. e-mail Robin at robin@fbcstmarys.com and she will get you plugged in. For more info, check the site out at www.rightnowmedia.org

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God is blessing First Baptist,
Thank you for your faithfulness!



Every Monday at Noon, come and have lunch with Pastor Gary. Place will be announced ahead of time. Everyone is welcome, and it is a great time of food and fellowship!



FBC Worship Choir

Choir rehearsals are Sundays at 6:30pm. If you would like to join, then come to the rehearsal and see Pastor Gary.



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Gary Smith, *Senior Pastor, Music Ministries*
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You can worship with us online!
 On YouTube go to FBC St. Marys
 On Facebook go to our page FBCSM
 These links are also be available on our church website -> www.fbcstmarys.com
 Don't forget about Sunday School!
 Sunday Morning's at 9:15am

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- SUNDAY - February 2, 2025**
 - 8:45 am Coffee Fellowship
 - 9:15 am Sunday School
 - 10:30 am Morning Worship Service/Kidz Church
 - 2:00 pm Baby Shower for Amanda Harper & Aries Richmond
 - 5:30 pm Evening Worship
 - 6:30 pm Choir Practice
- MONDAY - February 3**
 - 12:00 pm Lunch with Pastor Gary
- TUESDAY - February 4**
 - 6:00 pm Ladies Bible Study
- WEDNESDAY - February 5**
 - 5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper
 - 6:30 pm Evening Bible Study/RA's & GA's/Youth Bible Study
 - 6:30 pm Young Couples Bible Study
- SUNDAY - February 9**
 - 8:45 am Coffee Fellowship
 - 9:15 am Sunday School
 - 10:30 am Morning Worship/KIDZ Church
 - 5:30 pm Evening Worship
 - 6:30 pm Worship Choir
- MONDAY - February 10**
 - 12:00 pm Lunch with Pastor Gary
- TUESDAY - February 11**
 - 6:00 pm Ladies Bible Study/Men's Bible Study
- WEDNESDAY - February 12**
 - 5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper
 - 6:30 pm Evening Bible Study/RA's & GA's/Youth Bible Study
 - 6:30 pm Young Couples Class
- THURSDAY - February 13**
 - 9:30am Ladies Bible Study
- SATURDAY - February 15**
 - 5:00 pm Parents Night Out
- SUNDAY - February 16**
 - 8:45 am Coffee Fellowship
 - 9:15 am Sunday School
 - 10:30 am Morning Worship
 - 5:30 pm Evening Worship
 - 6:30 pm Choir Practice
- MONDAY - February 17**
 - 12:00 pm Lunch with Pastor Gary
- TUESDAY - February 18**
 - 6:00 pm Ladies Bible Study/Men's Bible Study
- WEDNESDAY - February 19**
 - 5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper
 - 6:30 pm Evening Bible Study/RA's & GA's/Youth Bible Study
 - 6:30 pm Young Couples Class
- THURSDAY - February 20**
 - 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study
- SUNDAY - February 23**
 - 8:45 am Coffee Fellowship
 - 9:15 am Sunday School
 - 10:30 am Morning Worship
 - 12:00 pm VBS Interest Meeting
 - 5:30 pm Evening Worship
 - 6:30 pm Choir Practice
- MONDAY - February 24**
 - 12:00 pm Lunch with Pastor Gary
- TUESDAY - February 25**
 - 6:00 pm Ladies Bible Study/Men's Bible Study
- WEDNESDAY - February 26**
 - 5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper
 - 6:30 pm Evening Bible Study/RA's & GA's/Youth Bible Study
 - 6:30 pm Young Couples Class
- THURSDAY - February 27**
 - 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study