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*Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.*

*Our Purpose: First Baptist Church lives to celebrate God,
bring people to know Jesus, grow in faith, serve one
another, and reach the world in the power of the Holy Spirit.*

NOTES FROM THE POLICY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN



Due to the recent severe weather and snow accumulation, the Policy Committee did not meet last month as scheduled. Thus, no progress was made in developing new governance designed for a church corporation. However, Mr. Rob Showers submitted six new documents for our review. They contain his professional recommendations for legal sufficiency as a church corporation. The Policy Committee will review each of these new documents before they will be available for review by the congregation. Please be patient while the committee evaluates Mr. Showers' recommendations.

It has always been my plan to let the current congregation approve all draft governance documents developed for use as a church corporation, but it is not the legal process Mr. Showers normally uses. Legally, the current congregation cannot approve the draft governance documents being developed; because only the members of the new church corporation can approve its new governance documents. Thus, my previous comments about your "approval" of the draft governance documents were misleading. Actually, my plan only gives you the opportunity to review our draft governance documents before they are presented for formal approval by the church corporation. I apologize for any confusion. I sincerely want the congregation to be fully aware of the impact of these new governance documents and of becoming a church corporation, before it is too late.

Mr. Showers advised me that we have only 30 minutes left of our prepaid services. Thus, if we need more of his time to produce a satisfactory set of governance documents, we will be billed at his hourly rate (not specified). Also, be aware that we will be billed for his legal services regarding the transfer of property title from the current trustees to the new church corporation (no estimate given).

Thank you for affirming our efforts to develop these new governance documents, and for praying for the committee.

Respectfully,

Mark E. Abernathy, Chairman

On Saturday April 3, the Missions Committee is hosting our annual Easter Egg Hunt. The purpose is for the children of our community to have fun, but more importantly, to learn about their Savior who loves them! The event is for ages one year old through 6th grade. It will begin at 10:00 a.m., rain or shine and end at noon. Please invite your children's friends and neighbors. Please watch the weekly bulletin for further details.





Ushers: Head Usher – Bill Smitherman, Mark Abernathy, Brian Fox, Richard Gochenour, Ruby Gochenour, Hank McCall, Hershaf Shifflett.

Deacon-of-the-Week:

March 07: Dennis Shank, 984-9661
 March 14: Bill Smitherman, 459-7324
 March 21: Charlie Armstrong, 459-7143
 March 28: Jonathan Dodd, 984-4914

SERMON SCHEDULE	
Sermon Series Continued: <i>Facing My Fears</i>	
March 07:	Facing My Fear of Disease
March 14:	Facing My Fear of Rejection
March 21:	Facing My Fear of the Future
March 28:	Facing My Fear of Death

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Date	8:30 Worship Room 11 Babies - until walking well	8:30 Worship Room 5 Toddlers through Four Years Old	11:00 Worship Room 7 Babies – 4 Years Old
7	Brenda Fox 477-3282 Carol Watkins 740-3884	Molly Barb 984-3864 Mandy Moore 436-8724 Jeff Overstreet 477-2890	Linda Evans 933-6286 Brenda Fox 477-3282
14	Ginny Beimdick 896-2576 Hazel Kent 984-8000	Kim Cooper 459-5914 Christina Crider 436-9432 Baylee Overstreet 477-2890	Hank McCall 459-4604 Dorothy Vann 459-7389
21	Mim Moore 436-8724 Brooke Whetzel 459-1793	Brian Fox 477-3282 Riley Overstreet 477-2890 John Whetzel 459-1793	Dave Evans 933-6286 Brenda Fox 477-3282
28	Chanda Poole 984-3718 Kristie Wilkin 459-4172	Holly Dodd 984-4914 Mallory Moore 436-8724 Jason Poole 984-3718	Wendy DuVal 459-9668 Jane McCall 459-4604

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSROOM ASSIGNMENTS & STUDIES

Preschool I (Infants)	Room 10
Preschool II (2 yrs.)	Rooms 7, 8 & 9
Preschool III & V (3 - 5 yrs.)	Room 5 - 6
Children I (Grades 1 - 2)	Room 17
Children II (Grades 3 - 4)	Room 15
Children III (Grades 5 - 6)	Room 13
Youth I (Grades 7 - 8)	Room 16
Youth II (Grades 9 - 12)	Room 1
Adult I	Room 14
Adult II (Explorers)	Room 2
Adult III (Prime Timers--Sr. Adults)	Chapel
Adult IV (Ladies Bible Study)	Choir Room
Adult V	Fellowship Hall
Adult VII (The Bereans)	Fellowship Hall



The Chat Room--Bible Discussion Forum
 "A Harmony of the Gospel"
 Life Ventures (adults, 55 yrs. and up)
 "The Pursuit of God", by A. W. Tozer
 "Foundations" with Adult VII
 "Foundations"

The following small group Bible studies are available to attend throughout the week. For more information, please contact the facilitators of each group:

Sunday Evening Bible Study - 5:00 p.m., study in Isaiah, FBC Chapel

Wednesday:

- 6:30 p.m., Prayer Meeting, FBC Chapel
- 6:30 p.m., "God Provides", Jonathan Dodd (984-4914)
- 7:00 p.m., study through the Bible (began in Genesis), George Williams (459-3025)

Friday:

- 6:30 p.m., "A Long Obedience in the Same Direction", by Eugene Peterson, Facilitator: Dave Evans (933-6286)
- 6:30 p.m., "Fresh Wind, Fresh Fire", Wayne France (984-9554)

Saturday:

- Men's Group, Biblical Apologetics for Real Life, Steve Buechling (856-3699).

CONGRATULATIONS!

Hank and Jane McCall are the proud grandparents of a sixth grandson, Evan Alexander, 7 lbs. 8 oz., born January 20. Proud Parents: Robin McCall and Jeff Finley.

Nick and Amy Horton are the proud parents of a son, Gabriel James, 9 lbs., 10 oz., 22" long, born January 27.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, INFORMATION & NEWS

Our newsletter is an opportunity to promote church events and share other announcements. If you would like an item in the April issue of The Beacon, please have it to the church office on or before Sunday, March 21. You can bring it in writing and place it in Carla's mail tray on top of the file cabinet in the church office or email it to fbcwdstk@shentel.net. Articles received after March 21 may not appear in the upcoming issue. Thanks for being involved in this way.

FBC WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

When weather forces the cancellation of Sunday worship services, the decision will be made by Deacon Chair Bud Gibson and Pastor Michael Moore. We will attempt to get these decisions made and announced on the following television stations as soon as practical:

- Channel 8 (ShenTel cable)
- WHSV TV3 (Harrisonburg)
- FBC Website www.fbc-woodstock.org/
- FBC Voice Mail (459-3000)



Weekday cancellations most often will follow the rule, "if public schools are closed, we'll cancel meetings at church also." The church office will be open depending on ability of staff to get in safely.