

Centered in Christ

Bonaire First Baptist Church

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922-1924



2017

1/1	New Year's Day
1/2	Office Closed
1/7	Men's Breakfast 8:00 am
1/8	Deacons' Meeting 5:00 pm
1/10	W.O.M. 10:00 am
1/14- 1/16	Youth Winter Retreat
1/19	Joyful Hearts Luncheon
1/21	Dinner and A Movie 6:00 pm
1/22	Fourth Sunday Prayer 6:00 pm
1/29	Fifth Sunday Canned Food Drive

MOVIENight

Dinner and a Movie

Join us for *Arsenic and Old Lace* on January 21st at 6:00 pm. Dinner will be hamburgers, bratwurst, potato salad, and baked beans. The cost will be \$5.00 per person and you can purchase your tickets starting January 1st.

Arsenic and Old Lace stars Cary Grant and was filmed in 1941, but released in 1944. The movie runs one hour and eighteen minutes.

There will be childcare. The cost is \$5.00 per child not to exceed \$10.00 per family. There will be a sign up sheet in both foyers.



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Student Ministries

Monthly

Student Worship
Every Wed.
6:45 pm
Student Nursing
Home Ministry
4:00 pm
Jan. 8

January

Centrifuge and Missionfuge deposits of \$50.00
are due January 29.
Missionfuge (High School) June 5th-9th.
Centrifuge (7th & 8th grade) June 12th-16th

COMING ☆ UP...

Youth Valentine celebration is on February 12th
at 6:00 pm, the cost is \$5.00 per person for the
meal.

Nursing Home ministry will be February 19th at
4:00 pm.



Woodland Christian Camp
January 14-16

We will look at what truth is, and how we live it in our world. Then we will use the truth to identify the lies, falsehoods, contradictions, and virtual realities the world tries to sell us.



January

- 11th** First club
- 18th** Club
- 25th** Theme Night
Backwards Night

For many people in the world, walking miles while carrying heavy jugs of water in order to make sure they have clean water is a daily reality. Many missionaries constantly run the risk of contracting a disease or parasite from the water in the countries they are in. This is where Pure Water, Pure Love takes action. The primary goal of PWPL is to provide missionaries with water filters and the people they serve with wells that offer clean water, free from disease-causing microorganisms. With the help of hundreds of churches, PWPL provides thousands of water filters to missionary families and helps fund clean water projects.





Men's Ministries

Men's Breakfast-
Saturday, January 7th
8:00 a.m.

Ladies Ministries

*Women on Mission
Meeting
Tuesday, January 10th
at 10:00 a.m.*

Joyful Hearts Luncheon,
Thursday, January 19th
12:00 p.m.

The church office will be closed:
January 2nd

To the Saints at Bonaire,

As this year draws to a close and I reflect on the path that we (as a church and worship ministry) have walked and the one that lies ahead, my heart is overflowing with gratitude for the goodness, greatness, and kindness of our God. We have been blessed "beyond all that we could ask or think."

Specifically, I have spent a bit of time reflecting on the worship ministry at Bonaire and verses like this come to mind, Psalm 98:4 "Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!" or Psalm 33:3-4 "Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts. For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness." This later verse is the theme verse for our worship ministry at BFBC. We take seriously the command to "Sing to him a new song," to "play skillfully" and to do it with Christ centered joy "loud shouts." I am blessed by the privilege to labor with such talented and yet humble musicians and technicians.

There has been much change since I arrived at BFBC in August of 2001, many who have come, some have been called away and others who have served with me faithfully these many years. These faithful servants have become some of my dearest friends and have served in the worship team with humility and Christ likeness and have selflessly given time, talents and resources (often unseen by most). What a blessing to me and to the church! It is also a happy thought to think of our students that serve in this ministry, particularly considering that the work is neither trivial or light and the expectation is high! Yet, God has blessed us with students willing to cast off other things that might capture their attention and invest themselves in worship. The servant's heart is also reflected in those who serve in the technical areas of our worship ministry. Media and sound can be a wonderful enhancement or a huge distraction in worship and we are blessed with the former. These and so many other things are stark indicators of the kindness of our God in calling and equipping the Saints in Bonaire for the work of ministry that He has prepared beforehand for us to do!

So, in light of all these things and many more besides, with the mercy of Christ in view, I want to say "Thank you!" to the Lord for all the privilege and blessing to serve in the worship ministry at Bonaire FBC and draw focus to how blessed I am to see the work of Christ all around me in the lives of His people and to express my gratitude to all who serve with me. And to say "Thank you" to Lord for the Saints at Bonaire who graciously support this work.

May Christ be all and in all!

In Christ,

Phil



From the Pastor.....

NASB (Acts 4:12) And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved.

Greetings and Happy New Year!

I hope that all of you had a wonderful Christmas celebration. The Christmas Eve worship and the Christmas morning worship here at BFBC were truly blessed. It was wonderful to observe both ordinances on these two occasions—communion on Saturday night and baptism on Sunday morning. The four people who were baptized on Sunday morning, Jake Maxwell, Caroline Maxwell, Andy Ezell, and Daniel Crouch, will always remember the day they were baptized!

In a few days we will be sending you the annual January letter. It will be a year in review as well as a look ahead from where we are now as a church. The letter will be on real paper and arrive via the U.S. postal service so be on the look-out.

A couple of other things to look for; in your cards this year the text is *II Samuel 7:13*. This is the promise that GOD makes to the House of David which will be fulfilled in Christ Jesus. On January 21, 2017 we will have a church-wide fellowship around the theme of dinner and a movie. I hope that all of you will sign up and come for a night of fun and fellowship.

In closing, I want to thank you on behalf of my family for all of your Christmas cards. It is such a humbling experience to be loved by a wonderful people such as you!

Yours In Christ,

Kenny

Christian Clippings

The Lighter side of Life

A mother mouse was out for a walk with her five babies when a big cat suddenly appeared. The little ones hid behind their mother who stood her ground and began to bark loudly: "Arf! Arf!" This frightened the cat, which turned and fled. Turning to her offspring, the mother mouse said: "Now, children, that should teach you the value of knowing a second language."

Little boy to the policeman: "Please, sir, will you take my little brother home? He's lost."
"But why don't you take him home?" inquired the policeman.
"Because I'm lost too."