

If you've been thinking about coming to Wednesday night Fellowship meals, but haven't made it yet, January 12th may be the day! Come enjoy some Roast Beef on us!

Upcoming Service Opportunity: On Sunday, February 20th, we will be sponsoring a mission trip to Jesus Place in Atlanta. For more information, contact the church office or Ronnie Shivers.

The Westbrook family would like to say thank you to First Christian Church for all the prayers, cards, calls, food, and overall thoughtfulness during the last couple of months of Betty Westbrook's life.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MEALS FOR NOVEMBER:

Jan. 5 - Chili, grilled cheese sandwiches, & dessert

Jan. 12 - Roast Beef, vegetable, bread, & dessert

Jan. 19 - Breakfast: biscuits & gravy, scrambled eggs, pancakes, & sausage

Jan. 26 - Swedish Meatballs, egg noodles, peas, bread, & dessert



ANGEL FOOD: Orders for the month of Jan. will be taken through Sunday, Jan. 16. Delivery will be on Jan. 22, 11:30 a.m. - noon.

Menus are available in the church foyer and on-line at www.angelfoodministries.com. For more information, contact Nancy Bartlett at (478) 224-3467, nancy@firstchristian.net, or nancyb@comsouth.net.

We are looking for six tables that belong to FCC. If you borrowed any tables, or have any idea where they might be, please let us know. Thanks!

Weekly at FCC:

Sundays

- 8:00 a.m. Worship Team rehearsal (*sanctuary*)
- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service and nursery
- 10:25 a.m. Junior Church, 1st - 5th Graders

Tuesdays

- 7:00 p.m. Ladies Bible study (*Conference room*)
—Beginning Jan. 31st—

Wednesdays

- 6:00 p.m. Fellowship Meal
- 6:30 p.m. Worship Team rehearsal (*sanctuary*)
- 6:45 p.m. New Testament Survey
- 6:45 p.m. Youth classes (*Youth Ctr.*)
- 7:00 p.m. Adult study (*nursery in Worship Ctr.*)



Ministry Staff

- Ron Nolen, *Pastor*
- Kevin Adkins, *Minister of Worship & Connections*
- Rob Shawhan, *Youth Minister*

Office Hours:

- Monday-Thursday.....8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- Friday.....8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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**First Christian Highlights
JANUARY 2011**

"Connect to God, Grow in Christ, Serve Others"

2010 – A year of thanks

As I look back on 2010 I feel a sense of thankfulness for you. Paul wrote to the church at Ephesus that he did "not cease giving thanks for you... (1:16). Over the last several weeks a sense of thankfulness for the First Family has been on my heart. I want to thank you for some things that you probably just do: because of who you are.

First, you have provided an awesome administrative complex for the staff. Our offices are beyond expectations and we get compliments from everyone who enters our building. You know how great the C-Café has turned out. All of this was made possible because of you. Thank you.

Second, you have kept this church, with God's blessings on your life, on solid financial ground even when the economy took a major turn for the worse. You did this by not holding back on your tithes and offerings even when the news predicted the worse. You did this by tithing and percentage giving (a way for everyone to eventually become a tither). You did this by regular giving as God had blessed you (many of the First Family mail their tithes when they are away on vacation or miss a week). You did this by trusting God to provide for you. Results: you have been blessed in your life and your church is on solid financial ground. Thank you.

Third, you have a heart of compassion. You have always been willing to reach out and help those in need. In 2010 you made it possible for some to have a safe night's sleep, food in their stomachs, water and electricity in their homes, clothing for their children, gas in their car to complete their trip, and counseling to help them emotionally. Thank you.

I want to challenge you to build upon what you have accom-

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plished in 2010. My challenge is that you will help others connect to God (some will need a special invitation from you for them to attend in order to connect with God) in 2011. Connecting to God is the key essential step: key to salvation. Invite your friends and co-workers to worship with you. As a staff, we will do everything in our power to make sure every service is worthy of inviting your friends and co-workers to attend.

It is also important that you stay connected to God as well. So, pay close attention to the connection you have with God now (keep it active by being before His face in worship on Sunday). Worship is the only way to keep a strong connection with God.

I am looking forward to a most fruitful year for the Lord's Kingdom at First.

Sincerely,
Pastor Rox

New Testament Survey Class

Did you ever wonder?

-What happened between the completion of the Old Testament and the start of the New Testament?

-When did the 1st translation occur?

-How was the order of the NT books determined?

-Who wrote each book of the NT?

-Why only 27 books?

We hope to answer these and many other questions, in our New Testament Survey study beginning Wednesday evening, January 12th. Class will begin with a time of prayer from 6:45 - 7:00, followed by the study, which will end no later than 7:50. For more information, contact Lee Dunbar. **You are invited!!**

Literature & Latte

Thursday, February 3, 7:00 p.m.

FCC's Connection Café

Ladies, join us as we discuss the book, One Lane Bridge, by Don Reid (of the Statler Brothers). *For more information, contact Tonya Hipps, at 987-2626.*

FIRST IMPRESSIONS TEAM SCHEDULE:

1/2 - Larry, Carolyn, Ann, Marlene, Kendall, Brenda, Ken, and Cheryl

1/9 - Charles, Susan, Jimmy, Kelly, Kayleigh, Kastina, Allen, and Jeanne

1/16 - Charles, Elizabeth, Harold, Lynn, Susan, Pat, Lee, and Linda

1/23 - Phil, Amanda, Allan, Margaret, Samantha, Brenda, Johnny, and Tara

1/30 - Phil, Krystal, Veronica, Kendall, Ann, Pat, Ken, and Cheryl

NURSERY SCHEDULE:

1/2 - Gayle, Carolyn, Melanie

1/5 - Lisa A.

1/9 - Diane B., Donna, Leigh

1/12 - Jeanne E.

1/16 - Nina, Kastina, VOLUNTEER

1/19 - Angela B.

1/23 - VOLUNTEER, Kathryn, Cheryl

1/26 - Brandy

1/30 - Linda, Angela, Brandy

CONNECTION CAFE SCHEDULE:

1/2 - sh1: Steven K & Virginia S; sh2: Virginia S & Pat P;
sh3: Virginia S & Brenda S

1/9 - sh1: Steven K & Ken B; sh2: Ken B & Nina C;
sh3: Bryan & Twyla S

1/16 - sh1: Steven K & Pat P; sh2: Samantha S & James C;
sh3: Robert & Belinda M

1/23 - sh1: Steven K & Angela B; sh2: Mike & Mary K;
sh3: Virginia S & Pat P

1/30 - sh1: Steven K & Ken B; sh2: Elizabeth C & Jessica J;
sh3: Tonya H & Virginia S

J.J. Weeks Band in concert at FCC
Friday, February 11th,
7:00 - 9:30 p.m.
\$5 donation per person



2011 FCC Women's Retreat
January 21-22 — \$80
Norman Park GA Baptist
Conference Center

(The facility is handicap accessible)

During "**Wonder Full World**," women will "travel" to each of the seven continents where they'll explore wonders of a woman's heart such as "I wonder if I matter to God," or "I wonder where God is when life is hard." Most sessions include worship and Bible study, and all also allow time for laughter with new friends or personal time with God.

Through the sessions of study and reflection, women will discover the depth of God's love, strength, and compassion. The theme verse for the retreat is John 3:16 - but this is just the starting point for all the Scriptures that guide women to understanding more of God's heart for them.

DETAILS: Registration starts at 5:00 p.m., followed by dinner. Bring a drink and a snack to share. All ladies 16 and older are invited. ***Sign up in the Welcome Center (deadline to register has been extended)***. Come and bring a friend!

New Member Classes will be held for three weeks, starting January 30th. If you have recently placed your membership with us, or if you have questions about placing membership at FCC and what that means, you are invited!