

# The Baptist Record

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH EUPORA



### What greater news do we have to tell?

Our theme for Mississippi Baptists for the year of 2017 is "Tell Someone What Jesus Has Done For You!" What greater news do we have to tell? One of the major points of emphasis is for us to accept the 3-1-5-1 challenge. What that involves is as follows: 3-Pray for three people that you believe are lost on a daily basis; 1-Learn one spiritual conversation that you can share with others; 5-Invite five people to church each week; 1-Share your faith with one person. In short, it means: Pray, Learn, Invite and Share! What could happen if we accept the challenge? How can we know if we don't? Would you be the person to say, "I accept the challenge?" As your pastor, I am already praying for you. Beginning on Jan. 17, TELL ME Rallies will begin all over the state. Ours in Webster County will be on March 17. Let the anticipation begin. At this point only God knows what the results will be; but can He count on us to accept the challenge? Is someone out there saying, "Tell me what Jesus can do for me?" You may be the voice, the hands, the feet who says "I will." Let us accept the challenge together.

3-1-5-1,  
 Bro. Travis



### BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- Jan. 5 **Clemis Renfrow**
- Jan. 7 **Gerald (Jerry) Gary**
- Jan. 7 **Michael Jones**
- Jan. 7 **Paula Rumore**
- Jan. 8 **Kathie Collins**
- Jan. 8 **Victor Box**
- Jan. 8 **Falina Richards**
- Jan. 9 **Ken Graham**
- Jan. 10 **Sydney Allen**
- Jan. 10 **Jimmy Forrester**
- Jan. 10 **Bubba Jernigan**
- Jan. 11 **Delta Claire Newman**

**BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE**

**Join a Sunday School class TODAY!**



### Reading God's Word is a great way to start the year

Happy New Year everyone! I hope that everyone enjoyed the holidays. It's always good to get together with family and friends. I'm ready to get back to a normal routine.

That routine begins this week as Wednesday night activities begin again. Choir will resume Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. We will soon

begin Easter, which will be here before you know it. Please come and join us as we prepare for Easter and for each Sunday. I will also publish a new soloist schedule this week.

It is a new year and it's always a reminder to start anew. Reading God's Word is a great way to start the year and make it a daily com-

mitment. Read the Bible through in a year programs are available in the Open Windows. You will be amazed at what you find in the Bible! I promise it will change your life!

I hope to see you all Sunday

In Christ,  
 John

### Thank you...

Thank you to all of you at Eupora First Baptist Church for the delicious meal that was prepared for the Daisy Lollar Family. We are a large family and we know how much work and effort that went into the results. It was very much appreciated! We also appreciate the love, prayers, and other acts of kindness shown to us all. Daisy was a very special lady that we will all miss, but we are rejoicing because we have no doubt that she is HOME! Thank you again!

*Pam and Woody Simpson & Family*

We are writing to say that the thoughtfulness and friendship shown by your members toward our family and mother, Judy Clanton, at the time of her passing, and in the days since, was greatly appreciated. The knowledge that our family has been cared for and love by friends and community gave us great comfort then as it has in the days that have followed. Please know your generosity has served as a testimony to the special nature of the community. We wish the best to you all as you continue to serve Christ our Savior and you are forevermore in our thoughts and prayers.

With Love,  
 Angela, Melvin & Ben Clanton



### AT CHURCH THIS WEEK:

- Sunday, January 8**  
 9:45 Sunday School  
 11:00 Morning Worship  
 11:00 G-Force (Worship for children grades K4-6)  
 5:00 GROW  
 6:00 Evening Worship Service
- Monday, January 9**  
 2:30 Stella Kyzar WMU
- Wednesday, January 11**  
 9:30 OCC Workshop  
 5:30 CHILDREN'S WEDNESDAY NITES  
 6:00 Youth Bible Study  
 6:30 Prayer & Praise Service  
 7:15 Adult Choir Practice

### SUNDAY SCHOOL RECORD 1/1/17

Adult	136
Young Adult	9
College/Career	2
Youth	14
Children	20
Preschool/Nursery	9
Nursing Home	14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>204</b>

### FINANCIAL 12/25-31/16

Weekly Bud. Rec.	\$27,587.00
Weekly Bud. Need	\$10,694.42
Budget Needs to Date	\$556,109.84
Gifts to Date	\$565,896.86
OVER Budget	\$9,786.02

### ORGAN PIPE FUND 12/25-31/16

Gifts this Week	\$2,897.00
Current Balance	\$35,223.50

### BUILDING FUND 12/25-31/16

Gifts this Week	\$220.00
Current Balance	\$1,830.00

### NICARAGUA MISSION TRIP 12/25-31/16

Gifts this Week	\$250.00
Current Balance	\$7,225.31

### LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS 12/25-31/16

Lottie Moon Goal	\$27,500.00
Gifts to Date	\$22,866.00
Short of Goal	\$4,634.00

### FINANCIAL 1/1/17

Weekly Bud. Rec.	\$15,138.10
Weekly Bud. Need	\$10,648.84
Budget Needs to Date	\$10,648.84
Gifts to Date	\$15,138.10
OVER Budget	\$4,489.26

### ORGAN PIPE FUND 1/1/17

Current Balance	\$35,223.50
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### BUILDING FUND 1/1/17

Current Balance	\$1,865.00
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### NICARAGUA MISSION TRIP 1/1/17

Gifts this Week	\$235.00
Current Balance	\$7,460.31

### LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS 1/1/17

Lottie Moon Goal	\$27,500.00
Gifts to Date	\$22,876.00
Short of Goal	\$4,624.00

### CHURCH STAFF

- Travis Gray — Pastor
- John Herring — Music Minister/Assoc. Pastor
- Cody Robertson — Youth Pastor
- Charla Boatman — Children's Director
- Yvonne Hilt — Financial Secretary
- Gwen Sisson — Church Secretary
- Marcelle Robertson — Custodian
- Leanne McGarr — Librarian
- Jo Faulkenberg — Church Clerk

**NO PARKING IN THE ALLEY OR COVERED DRIVE ON SUNDAYS OR WEDNESDAYS. YOU WILL BE TOWED!**

