

FIRST THOUGHTS

10 DAY BIBLICAL AND HISTORICAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE LAND OF THE BIBLE - ISRAEL February 16 - 25, 2018

Join me for the most amazing trip you will ever experience! There is no place on Earth like the Holy Land. You will see with your own eyes many of the places you have read about in the Bible. You will visit places where miracles were performed, walk streets Jesus and the disciples walked, and visit cities such as Bethlehem, Nazareth and Jerusalem. You will have the opportunity to be baptized in the Jordan River and float in the Dead Sea. You will be able to look into the empty tomb and declare, "He is not here, but He has risen!" No trip has impacted my life like a trip to the Holy Land. Join me, February 16-25, 2018 for an incredible journey through the land of the Bible. This brochure will provide you all the information you need to sign up and prepare for a trip you will never forget! I look forward to our time together walking where Jesus walked.

Day 1-2 The Journey Begins

Day 3 Along the Coast With History

Day 4 Galilee

Day 5 Beit Shean, Jericho and the Jordan River

Day 6 The Wilderness

Day 7 Jerusalem / Bethlehem

Day 8 Jerusalem - The Old City

Day 9 Jerusalem / Mount Zion / Calaphas' House and The Garden Tomb

Day 10 Travel Home

If you have ever even dreamed of a visit to the Holy Land, please pick up a brochure in the church office. Contact Dr. Eddie for more information.

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IGNITE NEWS

Basic Training is here!

Basic Training is this weekend. We have over 50 2nd graders - 6th graders signed up to attend as well as 15-20 leaders. Our theme is Exposing the TRUTH. Our children are bombarded with false truths every day. They are constantly being told what to believe by their peers, television, and the world around them. John 14:6 tells us that **Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."** We will be learning about the Kingdom of God. We will study about the King of the kingdom, enemies of the kingdom, citizens of the kingdom, completion of the kingdom, and the mission of the kingdom. Ephesians 5:6-8 tells us that **"Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. ⁷ Therefore do not become partners with them; ⁸ for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light.**

Our children will be challenged to let Jesus shine through them to expose truth on a daily basis. It does not matter what their peers say, what celebrities on the television say, or what the world tries to force upon them. As children of God we are called to be light in a dark world!

Please pray for everyone that will be involved in this weekend and that the Lord will continue to work in the lives of our children.

We have about 3 spots left open for CentriKid, July 31 - August 4th. If your 3rd - 6th graders wants to attend, please let me know as soon as possible.

A \$100 non-refundable deposit is due now. the total cost will be \$315 per child.

In Christ,
Tim

NEWS

Week of Prayer for North America Missions
& Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
March 5th - 11th

SEEKER SPRINGS YOUTH RETREAT

Speaker: Jason Curry

Saturday, April 29th

\$40 includes T-Shirt



We extend Christian love and sympathy to the family of Laura Netherland on her passing.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

2 Nora Brooks	20 Bonnie Cooper
2 Sarah Thomason	21 Malcolm Wasson
2 Dave Jackson	21 Avery Wooden
3 Karen Duvall-Darling	21 Mason Wooden
4 Mandy Brakefield	22 Tim Allen
4 Kaiden Krishna	24 Mary Burgess
4 Donnie Lee	25 Justin Pettit
5 Ian Hollis	25 Elizabeth Durbin
5 Camron Hollis	26 Dennis Odom
6 Ashley Hollis	26 Jared Perrin
8 Kaitlyn Boles	27 Peyton Raborn
8 Clayton Morris	27 Emmett Brown, Jr.
12 Tesa McManus	27 Christopher Maxwell
12 Matthew Senn	28 Jordan Morris
13 Angela Hales	29 Eva Home
13 Patsy Knight	29 Susan Pipes
13 Art Alderman	29 Helen Diamond
13 Lilwin Norman	29 Johnnie Sorey
13 Rayland Trisler	30 Jessica Patrick
14 H. C. Eppinette	31 Stuart Tutt
16 Heather Stephenson	31 Jessica Neyland
17 Geraldine Harris	31 Debbie Rogers
17 Fred Perritt	31 Jason Livingston
19 Darla Thames	

FIRST NOTES 🎵

"Greater Things Are Still to Be Done Here"

What will March 2017 be like? February 2017 was a great month in the life our church. We experienced a good revival and saw God move in mighty ways And in the days to come as we look toward a new week, a new month, I felt God reminding me of 2 things. First of all, we should thank Him for what He has done. What we saw an experienced was not the work of man, but Almighty God pouring out His love and grace over His people. And secondly, greater things are still to be done here. We undoubtedly saw God do some wonderful things in our midst, but now is not the time to take the foot off the gas. Instead, let us keep the momentum moving forward, continuing to reach out to lost and hurting souls and fellow wayward saints. Brothers and Sisters, let us continue to labor for the kingdom and watch God move and open up the heavens before us.

Thank You!

I can't say thank you enough for our awesome praise team musicians, singers, and tech support. What a blessing you are to our church! Your wonderful talents are unmatched only by your love and service to the Lord.

Raymond

RICHLAND CELEBRATE RECOVERY

A Parish Wide Ministry

**Every Thursday in the
FBC Rayville Gym**

Dealing with HURTS, HABITS, HANG-UPS? Do you know someone else who is? Join us on Thursday nights as we grow in the knowledge of God's mercy and grace in our lives.

5:30pm Fellowship Dinner
6:30pm Large Group Meeting
7:30pm Open Share Groups
*Life Issues &
Chemical Dependency*

8:30pm Solid Rock Cafe

Nursery Provided - Birth to 4 Years

**Everyone is welcome to attend Large Group
Worship at 6:30pm in the Gym.**

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

8:30am Worship Service
9:45am Sunday School
10:45am Worship Service
6:00pm Evening Worship

MONDAY

1:30pm Helping Hands Ministry

TUESDAY

8:00am-12Noon Care & Share

WEDNESDAY

9:30am "God Speaks"
4:00pm "Through the Bible" Study
5:00pm Supper
5:20pm Praise Team
5:30pm "God Speaks"
5:30pm "Behold Your God Bible Study"
5:30pm Men's Study
6:00pm IGNITE-Children's Activities
6:15pm REFUGE-Student Worship
6:30pm Sanctuary Choir

THURSDAY

6:00am Men's Prayer
9:30am Ladies' Prayer Group
5:30pm Richland Celebrate Recovery

FRIDAY

8:00am-12Noon Care & Share



Issue #1

The next issue will be March 31, 2017

Online Giving Is Now Available!

Go to our church website at www.fbcrayville.org and click on the GIVE button. After creating an account, you're able to give a donation or schedule a series of donations directly from your checking account or by using your debit or credit card.

FBC STAFF

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For more information about our church please call or visit our website.

SECOND HELPINGS

Saturday, March 11th
WMU

8:00am Prep/Cook
9:00am Prep Food Boxes
10:00am Begin Deliveries

DEACONS' MEETING
Sunday, March 12th, 4:30pm

Colonial Manor
Sunday, March 12th
2:00pm

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST
Sunday, March 19th, 7:00am
In the Family Life Center

Monday, March 27th, 6:00PM
In the WMU Building

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LENTEN LUNCHEONS

We would like to invite everyone to participate in the "Rayville Lenten Lunch Circuit" for 2017. Basically, we will eat, fellowship, and hear a message as we prepare to celebrate Jesus' resurrection on Easter Sunday! Our sites and times this year are:

1. Rayville United Methodist - Wednesday, March 8th at Noon
2. **First Baptist Rayville - Wednesday, March 15th at Noon**
3. **First Baptist Rayville - Wednesday, March 22nd at Noon**
4. East Side Baptist - Wednesday, March 29th at Noon
5. Rayville United Methodist - Wednesday, April 5th at Noon

The community is invited to participate in each week's luncheon at each location.

Dear church family,

I wanted to take this opportunity to update you on our search for a permanent youth minister. The Youth Search Committee has been meeting weekly and fervently praying. We are truly seeking God's person for this position. Through a series of divine occurrences, God has led us to His man and we will bring him in view of a call to FBC Rayville. We have truly seen God's hand throughout this entire process. God is directing our paths and we will continue to listen to His voice. We will finalize a date for him to come gather with youth and church family soon. We hope this will be within the next several weeks. Please be looking for details and plan to attend these events so you can learn more about him and his family.

In the interim, we have a wonderful leader for our youth, Whit Bass. Whit serves our youth on Wednesday nights and brings them truth from God's word.

We ask that you continue to pray for our committee as we move forward in this process.

Sincerely,
Ashley Morris

DR. WREN'S SERMONS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE

Go to fbcrayville.org and click the Sermons link at the top of the page. Church activities and upcoming events are also posted on the website. Share the web address with someone and invite them to church.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March

3rd - 5th Basic Training for 3rd - 6th grades
11th Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
12th Deacons' Meeting
19th Men's Prayer Breakfast
27th Saints Alive

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