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MAY 2024



Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. Romans 8:1

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MAKING DISCIPLES FOR A GLOBAL IMPACT

FBC PELHAM “VISION”

Dear FBC Pelham Faith Family,

Grace and peace to you! In the month of May, we get to recognize and celebrate several significant groups of individuals from our congregation. **First**, we begin by celebrating our Senior Adults during the first weekend of the month. On Friday, May 3, we will host our annual Senior Adult Banquet in the Annex beginning at 6:30 PM. On Sunday, May 5, we will have Senior Adult Sunday with Pastor Randy preaching in both morning services. **Second**, on May 12, we will celebrate Mother’s Day and have a Baby Dedication in both morning services. If you have a child who needs to be dedicated to the LORD, please contact Linda Bentley or Pastor Jonathan as soon as possible. **Third**, on Wednesday, May 15, we will host a Night of Worship with Wes Hampton in the Sanctuary beginning at 6:15 PM. Everyone will want to attend this event! Also, note that our last Wednesday Night Dinner for the semester will be May 15. **Fourth**, we have 12 missionaries going to NYSUM (New York School of Urban Ministries) May 16-20. Please be praying for this mission trip. **Fifth**, on Sunday, May 19, we will recognize all graduates in both morning services. Regardless of whether you are graduating from high school or college, or beyond, please contact Matt Wright and allow us to celebrate with you these meaningful milestones. We are so very proud of you!!! Also on May 19, we will have our next Man-Up event for all men of the church. This event will begin at 4:00 PM. **Finally**, we will be sending a Medical Mission Team



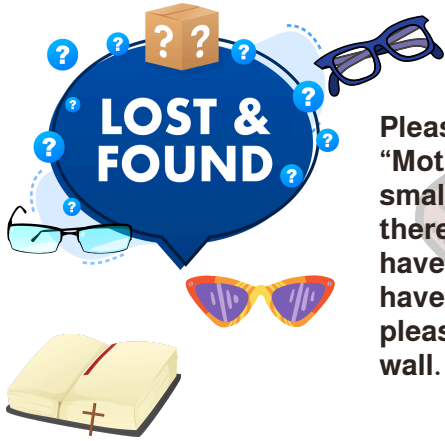
Dr. Daven Watkins

to Honduras May 24-June 1. Please be praying for these missionaries as they minister to the physical, mental, and spiritual needs of people.

Also, remember that we will host a Made to Multiply Evangelism Conference in the Quad Room on Saturday, May 4, beginning at 9:00 AM. If you would like to attend this excellent training, please contact Sam Neugent today. Let me also take a moment at the conclusion of this article to express my deepest gratitude and thanksgiving to Brenda Garner. She has been my ministry assistant for the past four years. She has announced her need to retire and we will miss her tremendously. Her work ethic, demeanor, and Christ-like disposition are inspiring. Her last day in the office will be May 31. Please take a moment to stop by the office or drop her a note to communicate your appreciation as well. Let me also add that if you or someone you know is looking for a healthy work environment alongside a wonderful team of individuals as a part-time office position that is both rewarding and gratifying, then please contact me as soon as possible. Thank you and God bless,

You Pastor & Friend,

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Items Found **You** May Have Lost

Please call the office and speak with Marcia Walker if you have lost a “Mothers” ring. We also have found an ear “bud”. Both items are too small to put into the Lost and Found box. In the Lost and Found box, there are several pairs of glasses, some are prescription glasses. We have an abundance of umbrellas and insulated drink cups. We even have Bibles. If you or your child have misplaced any of these things, please check the large wooden box located behind the welcome desk wall.



	<p>ACTIVE MILITARY AND VETERANS NEEDED! We need active and/or veteran military personnel to stand and represent their branch of the armed forces for our Fourth of July portion of worship on June 30th. Please volunteer to represent your branch as we honor those who have served or are serving. Contact lbentley@bcpelham.org.</p>
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Bring the whole family

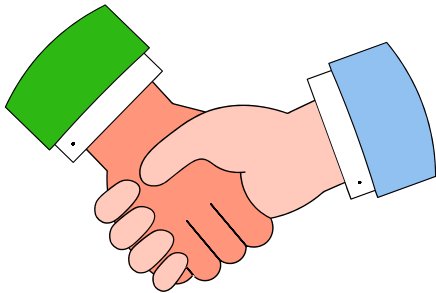
SPECIAL FORCES

KIDZ KAMP 2024

Kidz Kamp Registration has begun! If you have a 1st - 5th grader, we would love for them to join us. There will be a separate teaching and recreation tract for 1st - 2nd graders. Registration forms are available online www.fbcpelham.org/kidzkamp or you may scan the QR link below. If you are willing to give a full or partial scholarship to help a child go to camp, let me know or you may visit the registration link to give a scholarship. It takes place at Shocco Springs Baptist Assembly in Talladega. The cost is \$250, and the dates are June 17-20, 2024. Discounts are available for multiple children.



REGISTRATION



GREETERS! We have a need for more greeters to welcome and seat our members and visitors. If you are interested in this very important ministry, I'd love to talk with you. Please see me at the Welcome Desk on Sunday morning or email me at donniesisk@fbcpelham.org.



FBC Pelham is currently looking for a person to fill the position of Ministry Assistant to the Pastor. A working knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, and Publisher is needed. Other software used is Canva and Elvanto/Tithley. Please contact Daven Watkins at dwatkins@fbcpelham.org.



As I look back on the years here, I am in awe of the wonderful working environment we have built. If you are considering applying for Ministry Assistant to Pastor Daven, know it is a calling and not just a job. It calls for a heart to serve Christ by serving others. I will genuinely miss being in the midst of this office of amazing Christ-centered pastors and ministry assistants. But this isn't "goodbye". The Lord isn't finished with me. He is just getting me ready for His next assignment and that is exciting. Thank you, Faith Family, for allowing me to serve you in such a meaningful way. I love you all and am so thankful to be here.

Brenda Garner



ROME Trip to Tower of Birmingham Airport. April 24, 2024

We are **Retired Old Men Eating Out!** If you would like to go with us on our next excursion, contact Clif Ferguson to get on the contact list..

clif_f@icloud.com

ANNUAL SENIOR ADULT APPRECIATION BANQUET

First Baptist Pelham, Alabama
Annex

May 3, 2024—6:30 PM

Make your reservation and meat choice by
completing the form available.

Reservation a must, menu choice a must.

- Lots of fabulous door prizes that night.
- Tablescapes provided for your enjoyment.
- Menu includes choice of meat, plus salad, veggies, dessert, drink, bread.

Program that night will be a full length
presentation
by Michael Facciani





May Meeting: May 6
10:00 AM
Quad Room
Guest is Valencia Pritchard, Alabama Children's Home

Please bring any paper products or cleaning supplies that the home can use (toilet tissue, paper towels, detergent, etc.).

This is the last meeting until late summer, so we are having a luncheon/brunch with finger foods and deserts. We'll have fun and enjoy seeing Valencia once again.

Remember to bring your final donations for our church campers so each can participate. See you there!!!

We are well into spring and summer is coming up fast! School will be out for the summer in just a few weeks and our calendar of activities will become hectic with vacations, camps, VBS, etc. For the month of May, we hope you will take note of the activities that will take place in the children's department.

On May 8, the last C&C for the semester will take place.

On Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12, we will have our Parent/Baby Dedication. If you have a child who has not been dedicated, this is your opportunity to do so. The following information needs to be sent to Linda Bentley at lbentley@fbcpelham.org by May 6: Child's full name, date of birth, parent's names, siblings' names, if any, grandparents' names, and a photo of the child, plus which service you wish to attend (9:15 or 10:45).

KIDS TIME

On Wednesday, May 15, "What About Wednesday" kicks off for children. This year, we will have a mixture of daytime and evening activities for our 1st - 5th graders. For our Preschoolers, we will have four evening events for them that will take place at the church. More details will be forthcoming. You can register your child/children for this event on Tithely.

If you have any questions regarding any of the events above, or about our ministry, please call Jonathan Williams or Linda Bentley at 205-664-0237 or email us at:

jwilliams@fbcpelham.org
or
lbentley@fbcpelham.org

God is Able,

Jonathan

WOMEN'S EVENTS

MAY 4	Fervent Pricilla Shire Shades Mountain Baptist Church
MAY 5	Table Scapes for Senior Banquet Contact Lori Goodwin
JUNE 8	Lauren Daigle Concert Contact Nikki Gantt
JULY 18	Party Art Contact Nikki Gantt

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Oak Mountain Mission

April 4, 2024

Oak Mountain Mission Ministries is a 501c3 nonprofit organization that demonstrates Christ's love by providing food, clothing, financial and other assistance to those in need in Shelby and Jefferson Counties.

Dr. Daven Watkins, Senior Pastor
First Baptist Church of Pelham
2867 Pelham Parkway
Pelham, AL 35124

Dear Dr. Watkins,

Thank you for holding an incredible food drive to benefit Oak Mountain Mission. The continued support of your faith community is a blessing to the Mission and the families that we serve.

*Founded in 2001
by Mr. Roddy Cooper*

Last year, Oak Mountain Mission experienced a 26% increase in assistance visits and because of your support provided food to 15,229 people. This year, requests for food, clothing, and utility assistance are continuing to increase but thanks to the dedication of your Church we're able to respond to the needs of our community. Please extend our thanks to the members of First Baptist Church of Pelham who supported and coordinated this food drive. The food you so generously provide to the Mission nourishes body and soul. Through your generosity, families witness the love of Christ in action.

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oakmtmissions.com

Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

Gratefully,

Mike Harder
OMM Board of Directors

28	29	30	1	2	3 Senior Adult Banquet 6:30 PM	4 Made to Multiply 3-9:00 Fervent Event @ Shades Mountain 5:00 PM
5 Senior Adult Sunday Church-wide Mission Trip Meeting 5 PM in Annex Last D-Group	6 WMU Meeting Quad Room 10:00 AM	7	8 Pulled Pork, Baked Pot. Bar, Salad	9	10	11
12 Mother's Day Parent/Baby Dedication	13	14	15 Night of Worship Last Spring Wed. Night Dinner Spaghetti, Salad, Bread	16 NYSUM (Women) Mission Trip	17 Children's Bike Night	18
19 Graduate Recognition Man-Up 4:00 PM through 5/20/2024	20	21	22 What About Wednesday	23	24 Honduras Medical Mission .	25
26 Trip	27 Wes	28 Student Ministry Six Flags Kennemore	29	30	31	1 . . . June 1
2	3	4	<h1 style="font-family: cursive;">May 2024</h1> <p>TEMPLATETROVE.COM</p>			

COMMUNION

Have you ever considered the chaos surrounding the calm of the first Communion?

The religious and political leaders were plotting to kill Jesus, and one of His closest friends joined their forces. Knowing what was to come, Jesus sought to prepare the disciples for His death while readying Himself for the most significant sacrifice the world would ever witness.

Jesus faced external conflict and internal turmoil in the moments leading up to the cross. And yet, He reclined at the table with His disciples. He paused.

When we follow Jesus's example of Communion today, we have the opportunity to focus on the crux of the matter—Christ's body broken for us, Christ's blood poured out for us. Our external challenges and internal conflicts can wait. It's at Communion that we meditate on Peace, incarnate. We follow Jesus's instructions to remember His sacrifice, and we share this significant sacrament as the Church.