# a note from the pastor

Dear Church at the Mall Family and Welcomed Guests:

de are experiencing the blessing of God on our great church. I love the season of Lent we are in as we intentionally prepare our hearts for Easter. Parents and grandparents, please pick up a copy of Pastopher's fantastic Lent Calendar for families. It is filled with meaningful activities that will help you and your children experience God.

Today we have our Lent Devotional books available that will help guide you through this 40- day season of seeking God. We have a limited number available today at the Information Desk (one per family please). They can also be downloaded at churchatthemall.com/easter. As we think about the time between now and Easter, I encourage you to use this time to seek God in a way you have never sought Him before. Seek His will and His purpose for you. Intentionally think about the sufferings, beatings, forsakenness, and crucifixion of Jesus Christ. Choose a specific time to fast. Fasting can change your life. Also, I encourage you to take the Lent Prayer and personalize it. Read the Books of Mark and Luke during this Lent season.

## Offerings on Sunday, March 29 and Sunday, April 5

Before the message today, I will share specifics of the offerings on Palm Sunday, March 29, and Easter Sunday, April 5. Last week I spoke of a sacrificial gift offering on March 29 for Debt Elimination and on April 5 for 6 Missional Related Causes and for the Annie Armstrong offering. (The Annie Armstrong offering is for North American Missions through the Southern Baptist Convention.) Today's announcement will go further in sharing HOW we are going to accomplish what we will do. As you will hear, we are demonstrating a huge level of faith that God will provide. You will also hear the specific ministries we will be giving to in our Sunday, April 5 offering. God never allows our church to become complacent. He has given us much and He expects much from us. These offerings will show that we believe Goal One of our Vision 2020 Goals for the next five years. Goal One has two components of equal importance: #1. eliminating our \$4.1 million in old debt and #2. raising \$1 Million each year for missional-related causes. I believe that these two offerings will be game-changers for our church. EVERYONE can make a sacrificial, financial gift. We cannot all give the same amount, but we can each sacrifice in order to GLORIFY GOD and MAKE DISCIPLES.

#### Covenant Eyes

Today we welcome Sam Black with the fantastic ministry Covenant Eyes. I believe every computer in every home and office needs accountability and filtering software. Covenant Eyes, in my opinion, is the very best. Please go by the Covenant Eyes display on Main Street and sign up!

## Lord's Supper

Next Sunday we will observe the Lord's Supper in all three worship services. Since we only do this once every three months, it is so important to make the Lord's Supper a priority.

These are exciting days in the life of our church! I praise God that you allow me to be part of what God is doing. God is blessing us with many new people who are making FBC at the Mall their church home.

I Love You,

Pastor Jay



## ministry staff

#### **Dr. Jay Dennis** Senior Pastor

Virginia Bellucci, Ministry Assistant to Senior Pastor

# Darrin Brown, Associate Lead Pastor for Worship, Discipleship and Administration Beth Miller, Ministry Assistant for Worship, Discipleship and Administration

Worship		Administration	
Frank Ralls	Worship Leader	Brian Kelley	Accounting Manager
Kristi Brown	Worship Leader	Judy Thomas Ad	ministrative Ministry Assistant
Kris Ridgley	Worship Leader	Sabrina Fambrough	Staff Accountant
Betsy Brown	Worship Ministry Assistant	John Pricone Purchasi	ing, Payroll, Human Resources
Daniel Livingston	Program Technology Supervisor	Ryan Choate Marke	eting & Communications Lead
Michael Short	Program Technology Specialist	Casey Taylor Marketing	& Communications Specialist
Discipleship		Steve Holland	Facilities Director
Jerrod Brooks	Discipleship Minister	Greg Hieronymus	Maintenance Supervisor
Linda Gundlach	Preschool Director	Robert Simmons	Housekeeping Supervisor
Michelle Traylor	Preschool Ministry Assistant	Linda Callahan	Print Shop Supervisor
Christopher Gooding	Children's Minister		
Erin Gooding	Children's Ministry Assistant		
Sean Beach	Student Minister		

#### Jerry Goodell, Associate Lead Pastor for Pastoral Care, Missions and Outreach

Brenda Rinier, Ministry Assistant for Pastoral Care, Missions and Outreach

Student Minister

Student Ministry Associate

Connect to Growth Coordinator

#### Missions

Gene Wells **David Trivette** Pastoral Care Minister Missions Minister Walt Dearie Pastoral Care Minister Blessing Mullis Missions Ministry Assistant Dr. Gerald Bagwell Pastor Emeritus Lito Lucas Philippine International Church Mary Lou Helm Pastoral & Preschool Assistant Outreach Susan Cranor Ministry Assistant Dr. Mark Bedwell **Outreach Minister Event Coordinator Blessing Mullis Outreach Ministry Assistant** Trena Mewborn Director of Counseling **Buddy Newsome** National Director, F.A.I.T.H. Riders & Support Groups Laura Terry F.A.I.T.H. Riders Ministry Assistant Glenn Combee Deaf Church Ministry

#### On Call Pastor

Steve Antley

**Pastoral Care** 

Luis Ruiz Kim Hill

Church members, please know there is a pastor on-call if you have an emergency or crisis during non-business hours. Call (863) 682-0163, follow the prompts and your call will go directly to the on-call pastor.

## Pastor Jay's Resources

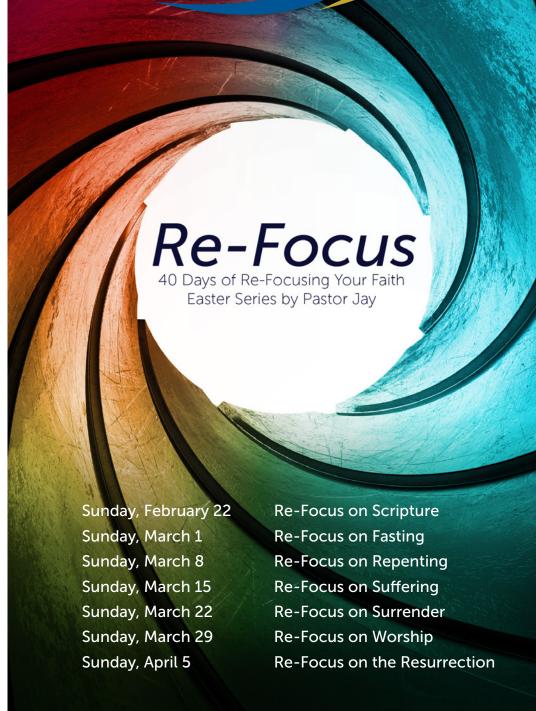
Do you know someone that needs to hear one of Pastor Jay's sermons or read one of his tracts? Then churchatthemall.com is the place to go. You'll be able to share his messages with your friends on Facebook or buy a tract for that person you know needs to hear the gospel. CDs and DVDs of Pastor Jay's messages, his tracts and booklets are also available at the Media Desk on Main Street.

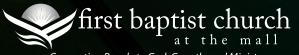
## Information for February 22, 2015

GENERAL OPERATING FUND		GENERAL INFORMATION	
Weekly Budget Needed	\$139,423	Baptisms Since 10/1/14	119
Received This Week	\$107,207	New Members Since 10/1/14	98
YTD Budget Needed	\$1,115,385	Sunday Connect Group Discipleship	2,064
Received YTD	\$1,095,555	Midweek Discipleship	1,522
DEBT REDUCTION OFFERING		SPECIAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT OFFERING (OLD FFG)	
Received This Week	\$3,898	Troising ceriter ridars, rides and Eighting	
Received Since 6/23/14	\$137,938	Received This Week	\$80
		Received	\$286,489



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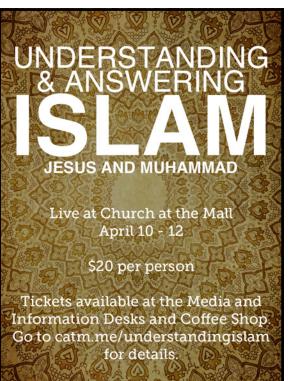


Connecting People to God, Growth, and Ministry

Connection Guide | March 1, 2015

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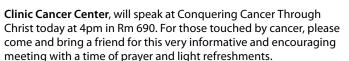












WMU meets tomorrow at 10am in Rm 690 with guest speaker, Dave McClamma presenting "Missions in the Caribbean." Children in

Action meets at the time in the children's area.

Easter

at churchatthemall.com/easter

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Childcare (ages 0-4) available by reservation only

for the Good Friday and Prayer Services.

Make reservations online or at the Preschool Desk.

DISCIPLESHIP WEEKEND

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Hope Givers will welcome Roland Victor as the guest speaker this Wed. in Rm 690 at 6:15pm. As one of three area representatives for Prison Fellowship, Roland works tirelessly on behalf of the incarcerated and their families. His love for God and people is so

# ministry schedule

## **Sunday Worship Services**

8:00am Traditional Worship \\ 9:30am and 11:00am Progressive Worship

## **Adult Connect Groups**

Attending a large church can be overwhelming and make it hard to connect with others. That's why we created Connect Groups. Consider them small churches within our big church and the center of our ministry universe. Let us help you find a Connect Group by filling out the My Connections Card or stopping by the Connect to Growth Booth on Main Street.

#### **New Members' Connection**

New Members' Connection is mandatory for all those desiring church membership, and is also open to anyone desiring more information on the history, beliefs, mission and vision of our church. The next New Members' Connection is **Sunday, April 12 at 9:30am in Rm 680**.

### Preschool Ministry (Birth - 5 Years Old)

Sunday | 8:00am Wee Worship | 9:30am Connect Groups | 11:00am Preschool Praise Wednesday | 6:00pm

### Children's Ministry (1st - 5th grade Children's Area)

Sunday | 8:00am Worship | 9:30am Children's Bible Study | 11:00am Jam Wednesday | 6:00pm

#### Remedy Student Ministries (6th - 12th grade)

Connect Groups | 11:00am | MS: Rm 460 | HS: Rm 450 Wednesday | 6:30-8:00pm | Combined Worship | Rm 460

#### Catalyst College Ministry

Sunday | 11:00am | Catalyst Connect Group | Rm 173 Wednesday | 6:15pm | Catalyst Mid.Point | Rm 173

## **Midweek Opportunities**

Midweek opportunities are the perfect place to find love, support, spiritual and emotional growth, and teaching that will help you build a closer relationship with God.

More information is available at churchatthemall.com/midweek or at the Information Desk.

### Support Groups

We're all working through something. That's why we offer Support Groups that will help you better your marriage, walk through cancer or the death of a loved one, break addictions, recover from depression or assist with other hurts, habits and hangups.

For complete details, go to churchatthemall.com/supportgroups or pick up a brochure at the Information Desk.

#### Wingman Men's Ministry

Sunday | 11:00am | Connect Group | Theatre II Wednesday | 6:15pm | NOW Center

#### **Worship Ministry**

Choir Rehearsal | Wednesday | 6:30-8:00pm | Choir Room

#### Other Ministries/Classes

The Chapel Service | Wednesday | 6pm | The Chapel

Compassion House | Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 7:00am-12pm (Deliveries), 8:30-11am (Serving) Deaf Church | Sunday, 11:00am & Wednesday, 6:30pm

Hope for the Heart Bible Study | 2nd/4th Tuesday, Rm 690, 11:30am

F.A.I.T.H. Riders Bike Night | 3rd Thursday of even month, Pit Stop, 6:30pm

Library Hours | Sundays: 9-9:30/10:30-11am | Tuesdays: 9am-1pm | Wednesdays: 5:30-6:30pm

First Thursday Prayer Group | 1st Thursday of the Month, Tea Room, 9:00am Ladies Exercise Class | Wednesday, 9:00-10:00am, Rm 670

## more happenings

**Compassion House** needs small size men's clothes and shoes for work and church. Peanut butter and macaroni and cheese are always needed. Thanks again for supporting Compassion House.

Catalyst College Mid.Point will begin the Radical Bible Study by David Platt on March 11 at 6:15pm in Rm 173.

Dr. Shalini Mulaparthi, Oncologist & Hematologist from Watson

Christ today at 4pm in Rm 690. For those touched by cancer, please come and bring a friend for this very informative and encouraging meeting with a time of prayer and light refreshments.

evident. Refreshments will be served.