Last Sunday's Record SUNDAY, September 9 September 2 8:45 - FBC Coffee Café 9:15 - Sunday School First Baptist SS: 173 10:00 - Library Open Offering: \$26,785.54 10:30 - Morning Worship January 1, 2018 4:00 - Acteens Requirements: \$930,696.55 5:00 - Bible Skills and Drills \$ 891,191.68 Receipts: (YOUTH and CHILDREN) State Missions \$1,245.00 MONDAY, September 10 12:00 - Missions Luncheon **Deacon of the Week** 9/9 - Larry Roberts **TUESDAY, September 11** 9/16 - Adam Foreman 7:00 - Men's Prayer Group 9/23 - Leslie Dunn 9:00 - AUTHENTIC/C. Laird 9:30 - Parkview Partners Tutoring 9/30 - Tommy Cason 1:00 - GriefShare 4:30 - Tuesday Hospital Ministry **Deacon's Breakfast** 6:00 - Prayer Shawl Ministry/Aldersgate Sunday, September 23 8:00 a.m. WEDNESDAY, September 12 9:30 - Parkview Partners Tutoring 4:30 - English as Second Language Sermon for September 9 5:00 - Family Night Supper "In Pursuit" - YOUTH HANDBELLS 1 Timothy 6:6-19 5:30 - Young Ringers - NO YOUTH CHOIR 6:00 - Preschool/Children's Choirs **FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER** - Think Differently/Rogers September 12 6:30 - PRAYER MEETING/Hebrews Hamburger Steak Mashed Potatoes and Gravy The REFUGE/YOUTH WORSHIP **Baby Limas** 7:30 - NO Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Rolls and Salad Bar **THURSDAY.** September 13 Apple Crisp 6:00 - College Bible Study at Brad and Jonda Henry's **KIDS: Hamburger and Tots** Adults : \$5.00 FRIDAY, September 14 KIDS (12 and under): \$3.00 6:00 - G.I.F.T. Family Maximum \$20.00 SERVERS JoAnn Braddock J.B. and Teresa Griffith Week 37 - Colossians 3, 4 Bill Simcox and 1 Thessalonians 1, 2, 3

6:15 - Theology of Luke & Acts/Hicks - G.A.s . R.A.s and Mission Friends

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The Margaret Lackey Offering for State Missions is the primary funding stream for the following key mission efforts: *GARAYWA Camp and Conference Center *Central Hills Retreat *Missions Volunteers *Church Multiplication *Community Ministry *Disaster Relief *Criminal Justice Ministries *Collegiate Outreach *Christian Women's/Men's Job Corps *Cross-Cultural Evangelism *Language/Deaf Ministry *Port Ministry

Dear Church Family,

Since January 2017, I have been blessed to serve at FBC Meridian as your Associate Pastor for Students. This journey has been an honor and a privilege that I will always be thankful for. Sunday, September 30th, 2018 I will assume the position of Pastor at FBC Richton, MS. While this season has come to an end, I want to take a second just to express my gratitude for you.

Thank you for entrusting me with your students. We have some of the best students in the world at FBC Meridian. I know God is just getting started in doing great things in and through them. Thank you to the many volunteers and workers in our student ministry. I'm grateful that I had the pleasure of serving alongside of them. Thank you to the ladies who always made sure that I went home with a plate of food. Your thoughtfulness warmed my heart. Thank you to each one of you who spoke a kind word of affirmation and encouragement. Thank you, church staff, for giving me the honor of leading with you. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your lives. It has truly been an honor and a privilege.

I count myself blessed to have had the opportunity to be a part of the FBC Meridian church family. I truly believe the best days of FBC Meridian are in front of her. I'll be praying for you as I know you'll be praying for me. God Bless.

With Love and In Christ, Josh Dunn

If you are interested in knowing more about FBC or ready to join our fellowship as a member, please make plans to attend a Prospective Membership Luncheon and bring your family! Sunday, September 23rd at 11:30 a.m. FBC Private Dining Room See David Bishop or call the church office (601.484.4600) to make a reservation.

A NEW <u>CO-ED</u> BIBLE STUDY IS BEGINNING ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 at 6:15 p.m. THINK DIFFERENTLY

Nothing is Different Until You Think Differently

by James MacDonald Sign up in the Welcome Center or join us on September 12th. *Walter Rogers, Jr. and Lee Rogers, facilitators*

Ladies Bible Study AUTHENTIC begins at 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, September 11 CO-ED Bible Study ALWAYS TRUE begins at 4:00 p.m. Sunday, September 16

GRIEF SHARE TUESDAYS @ 1:00 P.M. FBC CROOKS SUITE QUESTIONS? CONTACT ELLEN ROGERS

September ... is our month to supply the shelves of the LBA Crisis Center. Boxes for your items are in the Preschool/Children's area or the Welcome Center

<u>Students</u>	
Preschool	2 lbs. rice
Grades 1 - 5	1 lb. spaghetti
Youth/College	28 oz. spaghetti sauce
<u>Adult I</u>	
Long, Mabry	5 lb. cornmeal
Livingston, Brewer	5 lb. plain flour
<u>Adult II</u>	
Hicks/Williams, Ross, Adkins	48 oz. oil
<u>Adult III</u>	
Snowden, Davis, Leake, Fouts	5 lb. sugar
Adult IV	
Encouragers, Lydia	100 tea bags/24 family
Deweese, Pilgrim/Tinnin	money/meats

Memorials ...

Missions and Ministry

In memory of: Hueston Adkins Bruce Hodge Martha Allen (Cheryl Polk's mother)

State Missions

In memory of: Hueston and Amie Adkins

Sympathies to ...

Brad and Dancy Sykes and family in the death of his sister, Gloria Maddox.

Willard and Marilyn Green and family in the death of his step-father, Johnnie Neal.

THANK YOU...

Your Pastor Search Committee wishes to thank you for your words of encouragement, thoughts, and prayers during this time of transition. This is so important to us. Please know that we, as a committee, are committed to the search process. As we are diligently searching for God's person for FBC Meridian, we sense the importance of our duty to our church. During our search we have vetted many, many resumes and communicated with many candidates. We have discreetly visited in candidates' churches. We have had in-depth interviews with multiple candidates both in Meridian and at neutral sites. We are committed to being unified and thorough in our search. We are confident that the will of God will be revealed during our process. Each of us covet your continued prayers and words of encouragement.

FBC Pastor Search Committee