



# The FIRST BAPTIST BUILDER

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## First Baptist Church Mission Statement

To exalt the Savior, equip the saints, and evangelize the world  
through the power of God's Word.

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## TIM'S NOTES

Who is your Mentor or Paul? Oh, I don't need one. Really? Read this and you might change your mind.

Have a mentor; Be a mentor - the biblical model of mentoring by Life Way Staff

We are living in an interesting time in history. For what is likely the first time in the history of the Christian church, generations aren't worshipping together. It now appears normal to see older generations meeting together wearing suits and singing hymns, boomers wearing Hawaiian shirts and singing peppy songs about how Jesus changed their lives, and emerging generations meeting in dark rooms singing in minor keys. But, from an historical perspective, this is not normal. Beyond that, it is ultimately harmful to the church.

Interestingly enough, it's not what young adults actually want, either. Far from a "leave us alone" mentality, today's young adults are very interested in learning from, interacting with, and forming bonds with previous generations. This desire for connection with people outside of their age demographic can be seen as a subset of the overall desire for relationships and community, but because of the specific and unique nature of these particular relationships, the characteristic of "connection" stands on its own. According to our research:

45 percent of unchurched young adults identified the opportunity to receive advice from people with similar life experiences as very important.

68 percent of churched young adults identified the opportunity to receive advice from people with similar life experiences as very important.

After seeing the statistics above and hearing the overwhelming voice of young adults regarding this matter, a couple of conclusions can be drawn, one very broad and one very specific:

Both churched and unchurched young adults desire a maximum number of small group activities that promote relationship and belonging.

Both churched and unchurched young adults desire a maximum number of opportunities to connect with a mentor.

Young adults place heavy value on connecting with people who have more life experience than they do. Some would call this mentoring or cross-generational ministry; the bottom line is that they want to learn from someone else's experiences.

Mentoring is a biblical idea. Although the word "mentor" itself is never used in Scripture, the principles applied when using that terminology are found throughout the biblical text. We see numerous examples of mentoring relationships taking place throughout the Bible. In some cases, individuals were involved in multiple mentoring relationships. Sometimes mentoring happened on a one-to-one basis, and in other cases, mentoring took place in a group setting. However, the group was always small enough to listen to, and interact with, each individual. Jesus mentored 12, sometimes three and, on rare occasions, one.

Jethro mentored Moses. Moses mentored Joshua and the elders of Israel. And Joshua mentored the other remaining leaders of his army.

Eli mentored Samuel. Samuel mentored Saul and David. Ahithophel and Nathan the prophet also mentored David. David became Israel's greatest king. David mentored his army commanders and government officials to establish the united nation of Israel. David also mentored Solomon. Solomon mentored the Queen of Sheba, who returned to her people with his wisdom in the form of Proverbs that applied God's laws.

Elijah mentored Elisha. Elisha mentored king Jehoash and others.

Daniel mentored Nebuchadnezzar, who humbled himself before God.

Mordecai mentored Esther. Esther mentored King Artaxerxes, which led to the liberation of God's people.

Priscilla and Aquila mentored Apollos, and this resulted in a much-improved ministry for Apollos.

And finally, Jesus mentored the twelve apostles who established the Christian church. The apostles mentored hundreds of other leaders, including Paul. Paul mentored Titus, Timothy, and many others. Timothy mentored "faithful men" such as Epaphras. Epaphras and the other faithful men mentored others also, which led to a chain reaction that resulted in dozens of new churches in Asia. Ultimately, this specific mentoring chain is the beginning point of our churches today.

These scriptural references aren't necessarily meant to show that young adults desire relationships of this nature because they want to follow the biblical model. However, emerging generations recognize almost naturally that they have a lot to learn, and the Bible affirms a relationship model that can be used to meet that need. Moreover, because they live with such an experiential interest in life, that learning process is most effective walking side-by-side with someone, rather than just sitting in a classroom.

Excerpted from the young adult ministry handbook, Context. For practical tips on how to make connection, responsibility, depth, and community integral parts of your young adult ministry.

This was recently sent to me and was too good to not pass along:

### **Teaching Our Daughters the Difference Between Boys vs. Men**

A boy who flatters her  
And a man who compliments her

A boy who spends money on her  
And a man who invests in her

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A boy who views her as property  
And a man who views her properly

A boy who lusts after her  
And a man who loves her

A boy who believes he's God's gift to women  
And a man who remembers woman was God's gift to man

And then teaches our sons  
To be a man

**This is your invitation: Get plugged in and  
come join a Choir today!**



In Christ, Bro. Tim  
Jer. 29:11



**FROM YOUR  
DEACONS**

I remember everything about the day when I got the news that my grandfather had passed away. I was only 7 but it is etched in my mind forever. I remember everything about the week that my Daddy died. I was 30 and it is etched in my mind forever. When our heroes die, after the upheaval in our life, we sometimes realize that we have elevated them to a place in our lives that only God should have. This is most times not a conscience decision of ours, we have simply looked up to them and admired them and they have been our benchmark for what a Christian should be. We have looked to them as our example of Christ even though it is an imperfect one. This was the case for one of the most well-known Prophets of the Old Testament.

*In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. **Isaiah 6:1***

After the death of King Uzziah, Isaiah was called to be a prophet. He went on to be used by God in a mighty way and prophesied about the coming Messiah and his life and death on the cross. We must realize that there is only one who is worthy to be on the throne of our hearts. Our faith is strengthened, and we are challenged by the examples of people in our lives that have lived out what it means to be a Christian, but we must realize that Christ has to be our main focus. Always looking to Him, and always pointing others that are looking at us to Him. If we continually make this our focus to point others to Christ, then eventually they will start looking to Him and not us.

Our Youth group is now in a place where they have said good bye to their Youth Pastor, someone who has been a huge influence in their lives. Someone who is possibly their hero in the faith. In this season they will be very vulnerable, pray with me that God will be foremost in their lives, and that they will grow in their faith during this interim time becoming more than they ever thought possible to the Glory of God.

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Florida Baptist Children's Homes is seeking to employ a part-time, Gainesville based Administrative Assistant for its North region. The Administrative Assistant will provide support services to appropriate personnel, programs, and clients to enhance the overall program. Applicants must have at minimum a high school diploma or a GED, with advanced education preferred. The ideal candidate will have strong attention to detail, be well organized, have excellent communication and internal customer service skills, and have a solid working knowledge of Microsoft Word and Excel. Please visit the website for further information:

<https://www.fbchomes.org/employment/administrative-assistant-gainesville/>



April 23, 2016, 8:00 am, Westside Baptist Family Life Center,  
Gainesville, Florida. Register online at  
[www.moovingforkids.com](http://www.moovingforkids.com).

February

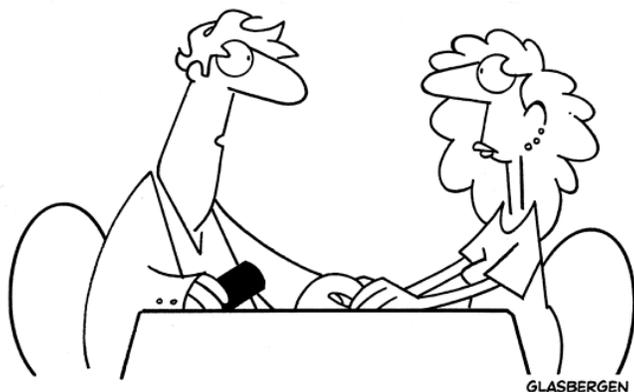
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**"I can't afford an engagement ring,  
so I bought you an engagement ringtone."**

### HOW PEOPLE IN LOVE ACT

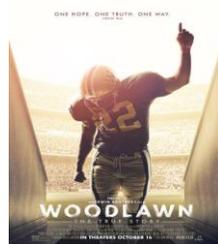
- "Lovers will just be staring at each other and their food will get cold. Other people care more about the food." -- Brad, age 8
- "They act *mooshy*. Like puppy dogs, except puppy dogs don't wag their tails nearly as much." -- Arnold, age 10
- "All of a sudden, the people get fever so they can sit together in the dark." -- Sherm, age 8
- "Romantic adults usually are all dressed up, so if they are just wearing jeans it might mean they used to go out or they just broke up." -- Sarah, age 9
- "It's love if they order one of those desserts that are on fire. They like to order those because it's just like how their hearts are -- on fire." -- Christine, age 9
- "See if the man picks up the check. That's how you can tell if he's in love." -- John, age 9



My husband just did the display window for National Boy Scout Day (Feb. 8). We got a lot in the display from our Eagle Scouts within our own church family. Thanks for allowing us to use your treasures for display and congratulations to everyone for attaining the highest rank in Boy Scout (Eagle Scout).

Also we would like to mention there are still available some of the old First Baptist Church History books and the new ones. The old sell for \$15.00 and the new ones are \$30.00.

We would like to let you know the library has two new DVDs available for check out:



**Woodlawn: The True Story (DVD):** In 1973, a spiritual awakening captured the heart of nearly every player of the Woodlawn High School football team, including its coach Tandy Gerelds. Their dedication to love and unity in a school filled with racism and hate leads to the largest high school football game ever played in the torn city of Birmingham, Alabama, and the rise of its first African American superstar, Tony Nathan.

**(Call # DVD F Woo)**

**War Room (DVD):** "Tony and Elizabeth Jordan have it all; great jobs, a beautiful daughter, and their dream house. But appearances can be deceiving. Their world is actually crumbling under the strain of a failing marriage. While Tony basks in his professional success and flirts with temptation, Elizabeth resigns herself to increasing bitterness. But when Elizabeth meets her newest client, Miss Clara, and is challenged to establish a "war room" and a battle plan of prayer for her family. As Elizabeth tries to fight for her family, Tony's hidden struggles come to light. Tony must decide if he will make amends with his family and prove Miss Clara's wisdom that victories don't come by accident."

**(Call # DVD F War)**

Here's a new book we just added to our collection entitled **Beautiful Outlaw: Experiencing the Playful, Disruptive, Extravagant Personality of Jesus**. by John Eldredge. Discusses the personality of Jesus Christ and how it affected how his contemporaries viewed him as well as how his actions in the Bible should be interpreted, arguing that his humanity, not his divinity, helps better understand his life. **(Call # 232.9 Eld)**

This book was posted on Facebook by our very own Pastor Skipper and highly recommended by him. Stop by your library and check out the many other items in the library.

Janet Bridges



**HEAR US ROAR!** “No greater joy can I have than this, to HEAR that my children follow the truth. 3 John 4

### EXCITING UPCOMING EVENTS TO WATCH FOR:

February 1-29: Re-Enrollment Month for current FCA families and students

February 5: 12:30 am, Bob Holmes, One Man Volleyball Team

February 6: 8:00 am, Adopt-a-Highway clean-up day for FCA.

February 6: 8:00 am, Refresh our FCA playgrounds

February 11: FCA faculty meeting

February 15: Presidents' Day, FCA closed

February 25: FCA faculty meeting

March 1: Open enrollment begins for new FCA students and families

FCA School Board Members: Kathy Barnes, Kim Carter, Rusty Noah, David Friar, Cammey Hinton, Drew Mock, Kim Teele, and Chairman Daniel Shepherd.

Website: For ongoing and updated information, please visit our website: [fcahighsprings.org](http://fcahighsprings.org).

Property Improvements Appeal Fund: Our FCA School Board has recently established a restricted account with the title of Property Improvements. We have a wonderful problem of needing lots of extra space as God blesses FCA. This account is in a separate account with Capital City Bank. Your designated donations will be used expressly for the expansion of our space needs. In the month since this account was set up, God has provided over \$12,000 through the generosity of our families. Would you pray about making a contribution to our school as we expand and grow? If you can give #50, \$500, \$5000 or more, your gift will be used to continue to expand what God is doing at FCA. We are registered as a 501c3 non-profit organization and your gifts will be tax-deductible. Any amount is appreciated from our school family, church family or outside donors. Thank you!!

Adopt-a-Highway: Saturday, February 6 is our Adopt-a-Highway clean-up day. Please join parents, volunteers, and high school students at the FBC flagpole at 8:00 am as we pick up trash along Highway 441 from the Santa Fe River to the Hardees and everything in between. High school students can earn community service hours.

Refresh our Playground: Preschool parents, Elementary parents, volunteers, high school students will “refresh” the FCA playgrounds. We will meet at 8:00 am in the main school building to spread new mulch on both playgrounds. Bring your wheelbarrows, shovels, work gloves and a servant's spirit to help with this project. High school students can earn community service hours.

Baseball, Coaches Shane Johnson, Brian Mott and Austin Craven: Playing baseball for the Lions this year: Zachery Brecken, Aiden Collins, Noah Combs, Billy Conwell, Trey Dubose, Clayton Fleming, Caleb Johnson, Joshua Johnson, Gordon Jones, Cody Mott, Steven Nugent, Blake Petteway, Tanner Potts, Joshua Rodgers, and Austin Willis. Spring Baseball Season begins in February.

Girls Softball: The deadline for signing up to play was January 15. Practice begins in mid-February.

Basketball, Coach Rick Price and Alan Dubose: Our Boys Basketball team won its first home game last month! The nets were cut down in jubilation and the game ball was signed by the team. These will be displayed in our trophy case. Go Lions!

Basketball, Coach Cindy Collins: January 19, our Girls Basketball team presented us with another historic day in the life of FCA. This team won their first game...ever. We are so proud of our girls and their coaches. They never gave up. They just kept battling and working hard to improve. And that effort finally paid off! There was a victory celebration after the game as the nets were cut down and will be displayed in our trophy case. The nets will also be accompanied by the game ball signed by the players. Go Lions!

Thank you! Thank you to FCA parent, Jason Mowrer for the installation of our new basketball goals and to Alan Dubose and Rick Price for installing the new wall pads in our gym!

Archery, Coach Pat Combs: An informational meeting was held on January 14. Coach Combs discussed the upcoming season and answered questions. This is a co-ed sport and anyone, regardless of experience, was encouraged to attend. Interested 5<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to practice with the team but will not be allowed to participate in competitions. This is however, an excellent opportunity to gain experience in preparation for next year. Each archer is trained by USA Archery Certified Coaches using the USA Archery National Training System. We will compete against 4 schools in the OAS Gainesville Conference League Play, OAS Gainesville Conference Championship, OAS Florida Championship and the OAS national Championship.

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One Man Volleyball Team: Friday, February 5, Bob Holmes is coming to FCA as a One Man Volleyball Team. He is featured in Ripley's Believe It or Not and has played more games than any athlete in the history of the world in any sport. He has won over 18,400 matches. He has beaten the Minnesota Vikings, Miami Dolphins, Toronto Blue Jays, Baltimore Orioles and dozens of college teams. He has appeared in over 5,500 gyms in front of over 5.5 million people. He has been featured on CBS This Morning, CNN and USA Today. Kindergarten through grade 10 will see him in our gym at 12:30 pm to see him play our girls team, a high school boys team and selected members of our faculty. It should be a fun event! After the exhibition, students in grades 5-10 will go to our theater for a gospel message. His passion is reaching the lost for Christ.

FCA recently set up an account with Amazon Smile. This organization donates 0.5% of all purchases through Amazon.com to our school. When you buy something on amazon, go to "smile.amazon.com and select FCA as the charity you wish to donate to and then start shopping. Your first time on smile.amazon.com, it will choose a charity for you. There will be an option to select another organization and you can choose FCA. We have run a test purchase and ten minutes after the purchase we received an email thanking us for our purchase and verifying the charity that we had selected. Please, help us in this fundraiser.

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It is important to be prepared and well trained before embarking on foster parenting or completing a foster care adoption. PRIDE is a program used to prepare and educate families that are interested in providing foster care or in becoming adoptive homes for children in the foster care system. The next PRIDE (Parent Resources for Information, Development, and Education) class offered on our campus begins next month. The dates of the classes are February 13 and 27, March 12 and 26, and April 9 from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Please contact Morgan Donovan at 352-213-7219 to register.



The next New Members Class starts Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup> and you are cordially invited. In this class you will get to meet other new members, as well as learn about our Church. The class will be held for 5 weeks during the Life Connection hour (9:45 - 10:45 am), in the FLC, Room 13. Please contact the Church Office if you are attending.



A gun safety class, taught by Bill Hartman, will be Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am in the C-Wing. The cost of the class is \$40.00.



Ladies of any age, you are invited to join a Quilting Club. The Club will meet every second and fourth Tuesday, of each month. For more information, contact Jeannie Preston at 352-215-5591.



Secret Church returns! Mark your calendars now for Friday, April 29, 2016, from 6:00 pm -12:30 am. The first 50 to sign up gain access. The price is \$10 each that includes the simulcast, workbook, and light refreshments. When you pay at the Church Office, your name will be added to the list.