

Church News & Opportunities

January

- 7 **Knights Baptist Church** is hosting a premier event "One Nation Under God" at 2:30 pm. For more information please contact the church office at 813-752-4972.
- 7 **Church on the Rock** will be showing the *Courageous* movie at 6:50pm. Nursery, popcorn, and drinks provided. Bring a friend. If you need more information please contact the church office at 813-752-3740.
- 12 **Cedar Grove** is hosting a Men's Bible study on the movie *Courageous* starting at 7pm. There is a \$7 cost for the book being used. Please contact the church office if you wish to participate they will need to order books. 813-967-6532
- 15 **First Baptist Church Dover** will be hosting a Creation Seminar starting at 9:15 am. Guest speaker Dr. Gary Parker will be speaking to the middle school thru adult ages. There will be sessions for the children too lead by Steve Levinson. For more information please contact the church office at 813-719-2273.
- 20 **First Baptist Church of Midway** will host the Christian Rock Band "ThisNewHeart" in concert at 7:00pm in the Worship Center. For all area Church Youth Groups and Young Adults.

February

- 17-19 **Eastside Baptist Church** will be hosting an Unlimited Partnership Marriage Weekend. For more information please contact the church office at 813-754-2681
- 26-28 **First Baptist Church Dover** will be hosting "It Could Happen Tomorrow" with Gary Frazier. For more information please contact the church office at 813-719-2273.

Counseling Resources

**Countryside Baptist Church** is now a satellite location for Tampa Bay Christian Counseling/Full Circle Ministries. If you or someone you know is in need of Christian Counseling please contact Tampa Bay Christian Counseling at 813-964-5511 or call the church at 813-571-8200.

**FBC Durant's 4th Annual March Mower Madness**

Saturday March 31, 2012  
11:00am- 4:00pm

Racing ages 3 to 103  
Fish Fry - Games - Music - Racing

For more information please contact the church office  
813-737-2556  
[www.durantbaptist.com](http://www.durantbaptist.com)

SOS Training

SOS is holding training sessions to prepare for the Strawberry Festival. If you are interested in this training please contact SOS at 813-494-7512 or 813-494-7927 or email them at [info@sosevents.org](mailto:info@sosevents.org)

MISSION TRIPS

**Church on the Rock** is beginning to build 2012 Mission Trips to Haiti, Guatemala, and the Snowden Park Area of Plant City. To become a part of these efforts contact us at 813-752-3740.

Attention all Senior Adults

50+ FBC Seniors B.A.M. will be going to The Holy Land Experience in Orlando on Saturday, January 21st. The cost is \$35 per person and we will be leaving FBC Midway Church at 10:00am. If interested in joining us, please call the church office to **RSVP. (813) 752-7209**

The SBC calendar recognizes 2012 Sanctity of Human Life Sunday on January 15, 2012.

Isn't it strange that we have to set aside a day to remember human life? According to the US Fish & Wildlife services website, there are 388 endangered animals and 129 threatened species. Americans have gone out of our way to protect all kinds of life. However, we have overlooked one species. We have failed to protect human life. Since Roe v. Wade in 1973, over 50,000,000 babies have been aborted. That's 1.5 million a year/4,000 a day/1 every 20 seconds.

What does it mean to say "sanctity of life?" Sanctity means the quality of being holy or sacred. Put simply, then, sanctity of human life means human life is set apart from all other life-human life is unique.

How is human life set apart from other life? Go to the highest authority-our creator God from His word.

*"For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvelous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well. My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being imperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them. How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them! If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee." Psalm 139:13-18 (KJV)*

**Unlimited Partnership Marriage Weekend**

Feb. 17-18-19 (Fri PM/Sat AM/Sun AM)

- Special time for Couples who are married, re-married, engaged, contemplating marriage or wanting to renew their vows. Casual setting & invaluable substance
- Bring a couple w/ you. RSVP as food is included (\$29 per person includes snacks & material)
- Hosted @ Eastside Baptist Church Plant City (813) 754-2681 [www.udministries.org](http://www.udministries.org)

Looking for a Youth Pastor

Bethany Baptist Church (Plant City, FL) is seeking a part-time youth minister of the Southern Baptist faith to join our church family. While a single candidate will be considered, preference is for a married couple to minister to the needs of our middle school and high school students. Persons must be passionate about reaching youth for Christ, and must have a high energy and commitment to educating and mentoring our growing youth group. The position requires leadership in Sunday and Wednesday youth services, youth group praise/worship, recreational activities and ongoing outreach to the youth in our community. Person/s will work in cooperation with the senior pastor, and will be assisted by a team of volunteer leaders. This part-time position offers \$200/week. Please send resume with references to Bethany Baptist Church, c/o Youth Minister Search Committee, 3409 N. Cork Road, Plant City, FL 33565 or email [bethanybaptist@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:bethanybaptist@tampabay.rr.com).

Looking for a Piano Player

Crossroads Baptist Church is in need of a piano player for all regular worship services. This is a paid position. For more information, please call the church office at 813-737-1121.

Secretarial position open

The personnel committee is now accepting applications for the church secretarial position. This is a part-time opening with work hours of 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please submit your resume to Hopewell Baptist Church, 6001 SR 39 South, Plant City, FL 33567 or email your resume to [pastorwclayton@verizon.net](mailto:pastorwclayton@verizon.net).

For Sale

Northside Baptist Church is selling a Sharp AR-M62ON Digital Imager Copy Machine, Sorts, Staples, Scans & Faxes for \$100.00 or best offer. For more information please contact the church office at 813-752-2779

Association Mission Offering

Church	November	YTD
Alafia	\$0.00	\$704.45
Antioch	\$0.00	\$0.00
Bethany	\$807.41	\$1,458.15
Bloomingdale, First	\$253.74	\$507.48
Cedar Grove	\$0.00	\$81.00
Celebration Church	\$0.00	\$250.00
Church on the Rock	\$310.84	\$310.84
Countryside	\$0.00	\$0.00
Crossroads	\$535.50	\$816.00
Dover, First	\$4,416.02	\$4,416.02
Durant, First	\$0.00	\$0.00
East Thonotosassa	\$1,036.97	\$1,036.97
Eastside	\$0.00	\$308.32
Free Rider Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grace & Truth Family	\$0.00	\$0.00
Hopeweaver	\$0.00	\$0.00
Hopewell	\$1,268.00	\$2,033.00
Knights	\$0.00	\$250.00
Lebanon	\$130.00	\$184.00
Liberty	\$0.00	\$35.00
Midway, First	\$0.00	\$195.16
Ministerio Nueva Vida	\$108.94	\$108.94
Mt. Olive	\$0.00	\$495.45
Northside	\$0.00	\$0.00
Oakwood	\$0.00	\$0.00
Parkway	\$0.00	\$0.00
Plant City, First	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
Primera Iglesia La Fe	\$0.00	\$0.00
River's Edge	\$114.98	\$208.84
Shiloh	\$124.78	\$307.85
SonLife	\$0.00	\$0.00
Springhead	\$0.00	\$100.00
Sydney	\$0.00	\$266.22
Turkey Creek, First	\$0.00	\$0.00
West Thonotosassa	\$0.00	\$120.73
Whitehurst Road	\$0.00	\$128.63
Winston	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total \$</b>	<b>\$9,107.18</b>	<b>\$15,823.05</b>

South Florida Baptist Association

Pastor's Sunday School Conference on **January 17** from 10 am to 12 noon, lunch will be provided and a How to Use Social Media seminar on January 26<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to 11:30 am ( Please let us know if you are going to attend either of these events) For more information please contact South Florida Baptist Association at 863-687-4764. They are located at 2120 Sylvester Rd. Lakeland FL 33803.

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January at a glance...

- 1 New Years day
- 5 Executive Committee Meeting 10am
- 15 Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

Looking ahead to February...

- 14 Valentine's Day
- 21 Pastors/wives Encouragement Dinner



If you have an event that you would like for other pastors and churches to know about please email the Association so we can place it in the newsletter. Email us at [mail@shilohba.org](mailto:mail@shilohba.org) or [hbolton@shilohba.org](mailto:hbolton@shilohba.org)

CHECK OUT DANNY'S  
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[WWW.SHILOHBA.BLOGSPOT.COM](http://WWW.SHILOHBA.BLOGSPOT.COM)

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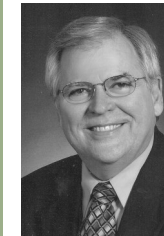


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## A Word From Your Director of Missions Dr. Danny L. Morris



Followers of Jesus  
2012 Leaders Are Disciples of our Lord

God's gift to us on the first Christmas was to come to earth in His son Jesus. He came with love and grace. He came not only to show us God but He came as our Savior. He became our redeemer and then He became our mentor. All our preaching, teaching, music, and worship during this season celebrates this great event of Him being Emmanuel, "God is with us". However, He did not stop there. He came into us personally. He best explained it in John 3 with the concept of "being born again." His Holy Spirit came not only to earth through His Son Jesus but also into our lives through His magnificent presence, He has given unto us forgiveness, eternal life, and an incredible relationship with Himself so much so that he calls us His family. Now, we are never alone and we are never without Love, Hope, Peace, and Faith. He gives us a purpose, a mission, and a goal. He is our foundation as affirmed in His sermon to us (Matt 7:24-27). He is our strength and our victory.

That transforming relationship reminds me of the encouragement He wants us to experience. It is His influence and empowering relationship that leads us into 2012 with joy and tremendous fulfillment. As He opens the door of the new year he gives us the privilege of living that influence and touching the lives of others with His presence living in and through us.

The most significant way we can lead others is through being a true inside and outside follower of Jesus. You don't need a title or a position, only a real live relationship with the living Lord Jesus. It is His empowerment that makes a Christian a leader. His empowerment comes only through His transforming relationship with His Holy Spirit presence in you.

With this truth, God allows us to offer some special events to help us live it out in the year ahead. Paul Pickern with All Pro Pastors offers some very significant support groups. I encourage each of our ministers to be in a group of his peers to strengthen his personal life skills. This year we are going to begin some peer learning groups. One of the areas of interest is effective leadership. We are organizing a group to study some of the spiritual approaches such as Ken Blanchard's book, "Lead Like Jesus." Some have expressed interested in learning how to be an effective witness through the use of the many technological tools of the internet, web pages, social media, and video/audio broadcasting over the cyber system. That is a overwhelming subject. Our grandchildren are masters. Perhaps, we need to have a peer learning group for the mature ministers or the Grandpas. I list some things for you as ministers or servants of our Lord in His church. These include:

- January 5, 2012 10:00 a.m. *First Baptist Midway* Executive Committee, New Year Opportunities, Lunch Included
- January 7, 2012 2:30 p.m. *Knights Baptist Church* One Nation Under God
- January 19, 2012 10:00 a.m. *Evangelical Presbyterian* All Greater Plant City/East Hillsborough Ministers Network  
11:30 a.m. (same as above) Free Lunch with All Pro Pastor's - Support and Care Ministry
- January 26, 2012 8:00 a.m. *South Florida Assoc. Office* Web and Media Outreach Using the Computer to Win  
And Influence People for Christ (Lunch Included)

### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

David Jones

### JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

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### JANUARY CHURCH ANNIVERSARIES

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