

## Women's Ministry Happenings

### Ladies Small Group Bible Study Starting Soon

Have you ever thought "Does it really matter what you say" or "It's not gossip" We are starting a four week bible study by Tony Evans called "Watch Your Mouth". This bible study will help us model our mouth in the character of God. Dates of this bible study will be, April 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th from 12:30 - 2:00 pm. The class will meet in Room 146, just off the lobby. Hosted by: Jeanie Moore and Ellen Dean. Cost of workbook: \$5.00. Sign up available at Welcome Center in lobby. Call Ellen for questions at 417-484-3403 or 417-448-7320.

### WMU (Women Missionary Union)

Meets every second Monday of the month at 9:30 am to fellowship and to lift up our Missionaries and local missions in prayer. Our next meeting is Mar 13th.

### M.O.P.S. (Mothers of Preschoolers)

Meets on the second Tuesday of every month in Room 146 @ 9:00 am. Next Meeting, Mar 14th.

### Tuesday Morning Momma's

Meets every Tuesday at 9:00 am in Room 146 except the Tuesday that M.O.P.S. meets. Next meeting, Mar. 7th.

### The IF Gathering

The IF Gathering will be at the Riverside Cowboy Church of Nevada March 10th and 11th. This is global gathering of women that is viewed livestream. This is a wonderful way to gather with the women, praise and worship God. You can go to [www.ifgathering.com](http://www.ifgathering.com) to find out more information about this life changing event. If you are interested you can contact Tammi Beach @ 417-684-7562.

### Pricilla Shirer Live

Pricilla is a best selling author and motivational speaker. She is a Bible teacher who starred in *War Room*. At Pricilla Shirer Live, you won't find sugar-coated truths or half-hearted declarations, instead you will experience whole hearted teaching to inspire and challenge you to step into God's plan for your life. She will be in Tulsa, OK April 7th and 8th at the Cox Business Center.

## "Shaken" Bible Study

### March 5

#### NEW SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY — STARTING SOON

The True Spirituality Sunday morning class is starting a new study, "Shaken" by Tim Tebow. This class will start March 5th and we will meet in Room 157 and class starts at 9:15 am. This is a study for men and women.

## Online Giving

### Anyday

Have you wished you could get your tithes and offerings to the church when you couldn't be here. Well we have the answer for you. Visit our webpage: [www.fbcnevada.org](http://www.fbcnevada.org) and get started with online giving! It's fast and easy! You will have the option to set it up to give weekly or you can manually give whenever you like. No one at the church office or at the Online Giving company sees your private information.

## GriefShare

### Tuesdays

If you are struggling with the grief that comes from losing a loved one, GriefShare is here for you. It is a safe place to express your feelings and share with trained volunteers who have been down similar paths as your own. GriefShare meets every Tuesday in Room 177 from 5:30-7:30 pm. There is no charge for this group. If you are interested and would like more information contact Pastor Hubert Fox at 667-6036 or email him at [hubert@fbcnevada.org](mailto:hubert@fbcnevada.org).

## Understanding the Bible

### Sundays

Led by Pastor Hubert Fox, this study is in Room 157 from 5:00-6:00 pm. Come and be blessed with this bible study and meet some new people.

## Discipleship Conference

### March 25

This is a Conference that you won't want to miss. It will be March 25th at the First Baptist Church in Rich Hill, Missouri. The presenter for The Life Coach Discipleship Training will be Brandon Parks. Brandon came to First Baptist Raytown in September 2012. He began working with church leadership to shape the vision for the church, giving the church momentum to grow and move forward in ministry. This event is sponsored by Osage River Baptist Association. Please join us for the Conference at:

Rich Hill Baptist  
300 W. Maple  
Saturday, March 25, 2017  
9:30 am—1:30 pm  
Lunch 12:00—12:25 pm

## The Landing

### Fridays

The Landing started a few weeks ago. If you have not been able to check it out yet, join us on Fridays, 6:15 - 8:45 p.m. If you have been hurt by bullying, divorce of parents, lost a loved one, or if you feel anxiety about your self image, feel broken, or just ready to put some things behind you, this is the place for you. It is a time to heal from life's hurts through Biblical life applications. Bring a friend or come alone...God loves you just as you are! He can do great things in the midst of painful sorrows.

## Project Life

### May Distribution

#### LOOKING AHEAD to PROJECT LIFE

Have you started thinking about what our church can do for **Project Life**? This ministry collects small gifts to distribute to the residents of the Baptist Homes of Chillicothe, Ironton, and Ozark during May which is Senior Citizen month. The needed items are listed below, so please bring what you can. Kleenex/Puffs tissues regular size box, men's or women's spray deodorant/body spray, mouthwash in 16 oz. bottles, body, face & hand lotions, tooth paste/denture cleaners and adhesives, and body wash.

## Children's Ministry presents:

### CHILDREN'S WING VOLUNTEERS PROJECT HONORING GENE CARLSON

In honor of Gene Carlson, Jeanette Hawkins' father, the children's wing volunteers are donating to a memorial fund. In lieu of flowers we are collecting donations for a fund to benefit the Children's Wing. If you would like to donate please designate on your check, Children's Wing Donation and drop in the offering plate or you can bring it to the church office.

Thank you, FBC Kid's Volunteers

## MR MARK CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SEMINAR

author, speaker, dad,  
children's pastor, founder of  
Mr. Mark's Classroom

...brought to you by your friends at FBC Nevada  
on Saturday, March 25th from 8:30am-3:30pm  
Lunch & Materials Provided at no cost to you!  
FBC Nevada 301 E. Highland Ave 417-667-6036  
Let us know you are coming so we can be ready for you!

because our community needs strong ministry to  
children and their families...

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY ONE-DAY SEMINAR

all area churches are invited to bring their  
children's ministry teams and join us for some super sessions  
with practical helps, comedy & give-aways!

#### TOPICS INCLUDE...

Three Pillars of Children's Ministry, Explaining Salvation to  
Children, Guiding Behavior, Bible Skill Games & StoryTelling

Parenting Workshop **Friday, March 24th from 5:30-8:00 pm**. This is a **FREE** event that includes dinner and give-aways!!! We do have limited childcare available with a reservation by March 15th. Topics include connecting with your children and avoiding tantrums, outbursts and disrespect. Mr Mark will share valuable insight with us, make us laugh and challenge each of us on our parenting journeys. If you have any questions you can call the church at 417-667-6036 or Children's Pastor at FBC, Jeanette @ 417-549-0487.

Mr. Mark Children's Ministry **One Day Seminar Saturday, March 25th from 8:30am-3:30pm**. This is a **FREE** event that includes breakfast & lunch, offering practical ideas you can use right away and give-aways too!! We will enjoy learning together, gain valuable tools for ministry, energize our passion for kids and hopefully go back to our classrooms or helps areas on Sunday or Wednesday night and use the valuable tools he shares with us. We'd love to know in advance (March 15th if possible) how many will be attending so we can adequately prepare for you! If you work with children in our church we would love to have you come and learn and grow with us on how to use our energy and express our love for children in a more effective and less stressful way. Call the church office number is 417-667-6036 to make a reservation.

## **A Letter From Garrett**

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Dear Church,

The past 8 years have been some of the most difficult and incredible years of our lives. We have cried together, laughed together, and sought the presence of God and His will for our church together. You have loved our family and invested in us in more ways than we could ever acknowledge. We have been blessed to walk with you through incredible difficulties and trials and to see the hand of God through seemingly insurmountable odds. It has always been our goal to raise the bar for student ministry both at FBC Nevada and in the big C Church. We feel like God has given us amazing opportunities to invest in students and we have seen them connect to Christ and never be the same again. We are eternally grateful that you have trusted us with your students and have allowed us to minister to them the best way we know how. We believe as Pastor Cox also believed that the best days of FBC Nevada are ahead.

It is with bittersweet emotions that we announce that God is calling us to another ministry. Michelle, Noah, Bella and I will be moving to First Baptist Church of Newcastle, OK the first week of April, to take a full time youth ministry position. We have prayed, struggled, and even begged God to allow our ministry here at FBC to continue but we are totally convinced that we are much safer living inside of the Will of God uncomfortably, than walking outside his will and being comfortable. The only reason, and I mean ONLY reason, we are leaving Nevada is because God is calling us to another ministry. We love you all and will miss you dearly

I want you to know that God is out ahead of all of this and we are already putting into place certain steps to insure the success of the Green Room ministry. The adult leaders are all on board and will continue ministry to your students. All current plans for youth ministry will continue in this time of transition. I will be working very closely with Pastor Crook and the rest of the staff to make sure that the next person taking this position will have all the tools needed to be equally successful in this ministry. As it currently stands, summer activities will stay as scheduled and students can still count on the Green Room for incredible ministry and consistency. I have been very intentional in trying to equip our leaders and students and I am completely confident in them as we begin our exit strategy.

This is a great moment of sadness for us as we will miss you all dearly, but we are also very excited to see how ministry will continue to operate after we leave. I have always been taught to try and leave a ministry better than I found it and I trust with all of my heart that we have accomplished that. We have given our blood, sweat, and tears to this ministry and FBC Nevada for the growth of the Gospel of Jesus in our community. We know that ministry is bigger than one person or personality and we trust that the same God ordaining our move, is right now working in the heart of another youth pastor with passion for students and is equipping him for ministry at FBC Nevada.

As I have stated to our youth: Our ministry here may be over, but our relationships will last a lifetime. We love you all more than words can express.

-Garrett Hankins

## **Thank you:**

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Dear Friends, thank you so much for your new monthly disbursement of \$500 to help hurting families in our county. We are grateful for your generosity and continued commitment to Community Outreach. God Bless You All.

Barbara Long, Director

**Commit to Christ  
Connect to Others  
Change the World**

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## **Sermon Notes**

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# **The Mainspring**

**First Baptist Church  
301 E. Highland Ave., Nevada, MO 64772  
David Crook, Pastor**