

First Baptist Church of Pensacola  
Ministry Organizations

**First Baptist Church of Pensacola Mission Statement:**

At FBCP, we glorify the Father by following the Holy Spirit in telling the story of Jesus.

We seek to do this by leading people to...

- Discover personal faith in Jesus as their Savior.  
(Evangelism)
- Devote to Christ as their Lord. (Worship)
- Develop into mature followers of Jesus. (Discipleship)
- Demonstrate Christ-like love in attitudes and actions.  
(Fellowship)
- Deploy into the world as witnesses and servants of Jesus.  
(Missions)

**FBCP Beliefs and Biblical References for our Mission:**

We believe the local church is the Body of Christ made up of baptized believers, and it is God's will for every believer to be a member of one for mutual fellowship, edification, and mission.

A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a local body of baptized believers who are associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel and seek to extend the Gospel to the ends of the earth. This church is an autonomous body whose members are equally responsible. The New Testament speaks also of the church as the body of Christ, which includes all of the redeemed of all the ages.

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*“Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is part of it.”*  
1 Corinthians 12:27

*“God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.”* Ephesians 1:22-23

We believe the Church should observe Baptism and the Lord’s Supper as the two ordinances Christ gave to His Church.

Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water. It is an act of obedience symbolizing the believer’s faith in a crucified, buried, and risen Savior; the believer’s death to sin; the burial of the old life; and the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. The Lord’s Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby members memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming.

*“Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”* Acts 2:38

*“Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?”* 1 Corinthians 10:16

We believe it is the duty and responsibility of every Christian and church to deliver the good news of Jesus Christ and to make disciples for Him.

It is the duty and privilege of every follower of Christ and every church of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make disciples of all nations. Missionary effort on the part of all rests thus upon a

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spiritual necessity of the regenerate life. It is the duty of every child of God to seek continually to win the lost to Christ by personal effort.

*“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always to the very end of the age.”* Matthew 28:18-20

**Many FBCP Ministry Organizations support the congregation in accomplishing the FBCP Mission. Following is a description of one of those Ministry Organizations:**

### **Organizations Documentation Updates Ministry Team**

#### **Leadership:**

Leader: Jerry Norris

#### **Church-Wide Ministries Supported by this Team:**

This Ministry Team supports the Administrative Ministries.

#### **Ministerial Contact:**

Senior Pastor

#### **Biblical References for this Team:**

“...there are varieties of service, but the same Lord.”  
1 Corinthians 12:5

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“But all things should be done decently and in order.”

1 Corinthians 14:40

“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.” 2 Timothy 3:16-17

“And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second profits, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administering, and various kinds of tongues.” 1 Corinthians 12:28

“And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.” Ephesians 4:11-13

“Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.” Romans 12:13

### **Purposes, Expectations, and Anticipated Accomplishments of this Team:**

This Ministry Team was established to update and publish the documentation of ministries, the corporation, administrative council, committees, and ministry teams of FBCP.

Specifically,

- To identify all ministry organizations of FBCP and the leaders of those organizations

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- To develop a Chart of Ministry Organizations that fit the administrative style and operations of FBCP.
- To develop a list of information ingredients common to all ministry organizations.
- To develop a standard template including those common ingredients to be used to collect, maintain, and publish such information.
- To work with the organization leaders to complete the information about their organizations as required in the template.
- To convert the information contained in the completed templates into a format appropriate for understanding the roles of the organizations and for publishing.
- To review with the Ministerial Staff the collection, review, and processing of organizational documentation as it is developed.
- To provide standardized review (with the leaders) and editing (with wordsmith assistance) of the documentation before publication.
- To obtain appropriate approvals for the adoption and publication of the updated Chart of Organizations and the Organizational Documentation.
- To publish the final versions of the organizational documentation on the FBCP website for easy access by members and potential members of FBCP and the greater

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community (with assistance from the FBCP publications specialist).

- To continually monitor and update organizational documentation information on the website to maintain accurate and timely information.
- To perform a thorough review of the documentation with the organizational leaders each year to maintain and assure accurate and current information.

### **Members of this Team**

This Team is coordinated by the Team Leader, with assistance from the Ministerial Staff, the Office Staff, and a Wordsmith. In a greater sense, the Leaders of all organizations at FBCP are members of this Team as they work together to provide information about FBCP Ministries to church members and the community.

### **Organization of this Team**

The activities of this Ministry Team are coordinated by the Team Leader.

### **Meetings, Meeting Agendas, and Work Schedules**

Meetings, agendas, and work schedules are ongoing. The initial thrust of this project has involved many hours of work and much communication among the Ministers and Leaders of these organizations. After initial publication and posting of this information on the FBCP website, routine review and update schedules will be developed to assure ongoing success of the project.

### **Records of Meetings**

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Contact the Team Leader for information about the history and work schedules for this Ministry Team.